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RENEWED DRIVE ON CANTON?

Time Bomb In PAL Plane

Manila, May 31.—The National Bureau of Investigation today looked into reports indicating a Philippine Air Lines plane which exploded on May 7, had a set time bomb aboard.
Thirteen persons died when the wreckage of the shattered C-47 plunged into the sea off Alabete Island three weeks ago.
A dispatch to the Daily Mirror from Dact, 140 miles South East of Manila, said authorities have located the watchmaker who adjusted the clockwork mechanism believed to be that for a time bomb.
The watchmaker, Porfirio Ponayo, set the mechanism to run for 45 minutes, according to the Mirror. His customer said it was for testing radio receiving sets.—Associated Press.

STATE OF SIEGE IN BOLIVIA

La Paz, Bolivia, May 31.—The Government declared a state of siege throughout Bolivia last night as striking mine workers seized more hostages and the walk-out spread through the tin producing area.
Two more mines and a railroad were reported to have been closed in the strike-torn Catavi area high in the Andes where at least 27 persons, including two American engineers, were killed in bloody week-end fighting.
Acting President Mamerto Urriolagoitia, who had earlier declared the strike was aimed at the overthrow of the Government, announced the imposition of a state of siege.
He said the step was decided on with Cabinet approval as a result of the revolutionary acts by miners at Catavi.
The country had been in a state of siege from May 1 to May 20 as a result of political disturbances after the May 1 Congressional elections in which the Government Party lost some ground to Rightist groups.
Govt. vs. Unions
The topsy-turvy Bolivian situation apparently pits the Left of Centre Government against unions which it charges are affiliated with Rightist, nationalist groups attempting to start a revolt.
The strike originally broke out at a mine owned by the Patine group, Bolivia's largest tin combine. Fifteen management officials, including seven Americans, were seized as hostages and beaten severely, the company general manager said.
An Interior Ministry communiqué said two American engineers were dead when Bolivian troops reached the hostages on Sunday. At least 20 Bolivian mine officials also were killed.
The rioting strikers at first fought off the troops by hurling dynamite bombs at them. Three soldiers were listed as dead in the communiqué. Unofficial reports said about 20 strikers were killed and 70 persons were severely wounded.
There have been no further reports of disorders at that mine where the hostages were taken from their homes by the strikers.—Associated Press.

Shanghai Victors Said To Be Marching South BOARD OF TRADE FORMED

Canton, May 31.—Nationalist Chinese military sources said on Monday night that some of the Communist troops who took Shanghai were already marching South West in what may be the start of a drive on Canton.

The Southern campaign has been almost at a standstill for the last fortnight.

The Reds were said to be headed towards Changsha, a key point on the Canton-Hankow railway 400 miles North of here.

Board Of Trade

The Communists, shipping men said, have established a board of trade to handle navigation matters. These sources said the Reds are eager for shipping to be resumed.

International air carriers met also to discuss re-opening of the airport in Shanghai. No concrete action was taken because departing Nationalists stripped Lungwa airport of radio equipment, which is necessary for safety.

Shipping quarters said that following the take-over of Woon River Pootung and other down-river installations, there was now no physical handicap to the resumption of navigation on the Whangpoo River.

The majority of the scuttled ships are down-river, and only in one sector, opposite the Bund, are they near the shipping channel.

It is not yet known whether the American President Lines have been successful in obtaining a permit for their vessels, the President Madison and the President Polk, to call at Shanghai early next month.

The State-owned China Merchant Steam Navigation Company—China's largest shipping concern—was reported meanwhile to be actively preparing to resume the service between ports in the liberated area.

As a start, they intend to run the Yangtze service with a fleet of 14 ships which were left behind by the Nationalists in Hankow, Nanking and Shanghai placed on summer-time by the Nationalist authorities in the beginning of May—has been ordered to return to standard time as from midnight tonight, when all clocks will be turned back an hour.

An official announcement today in the Liberation Daily said that the city would go back to Peking Time from zero hour tonight.

The New China News Agency revealed that about 70,000 tons of essential foodstuffs are being ready for shipment to Shanghai from North China, aside from a large coal supply.

The report added that the first shipment of 1,000 tons of coal has already arrived in the city.—Associated Press and Reuter.

Animals Are Born Three By Three



These six sheep are all the children of one ewe. That's not surprising, but what is the fact that they are two sets of triplets. The three in the foreground were born last year, and have already won two prizes at shows. The newly born in the background are being shown some of the certificates which cover the wall of their barn in Kingsland, Herefordshire. Miss Mary Elliott and Miss Sheila Wenham (right) farm 70 acres in Herefordshire. Last year their pedigree sheep took 25 prizes in various shows.—AP Photo.

Chinese Seamen, Owners Fail To Agree On Claims

(By Our Harbour Reporter)
One hundred Chinese seamen and their families have established themselves aboard three steamers, now lying off Stoncutters, after disregarding orders to leave from their respective employers.

Negotiations are under way between the Chinese Seamen's Union, arbitrating on behalf of the dissident seamen, and the local representatives of the Shanghai owners over claims by the crew that promises made at Shanghai of substantial allowances and food supplies were not fulfilled here.

Latest information available last evening, however, was that the owners have agreed to give four months' pay and free passage home to each man. That was announced after a conference between the CSU and the representatives of the ss. Hung Cheong and ss. Hung Wan yesterday.

The seamen are meanwhile discussing the proposition among themselves and will send in their decision today to the CSU.

This is the last batch of more than 400 Chinese seamen who have brought similar claims of non-fulfilment of promises made at Shanghai, which had caused them to take the risk of being attacked when sailing down the Whangpoo River during the Battle of Shanghai.

The CSU arbitrated on several claims, which were settled last week when both parties came to a mutual compromise.

"When Shanghai was attacked by the Communists, the former crews of the ships left for fear of being attacked while the ships anchored in the river," a representative of the ss. Hung Cheong crew declared yesterday in an interview.

"The owners made many promises which encouraged other seamen to sign on to bring the vessels down to Hong Kong. Even their families were permitted to accompany them."

"We took three days to sail down the river. Firing on both banks was heavy. Normally it takes only four hours to get out to sea."

"Our ship moved by night most of the time and laid low in daylight," he recalled.

The day following their arrival here (May 27) a representative of the Shanghai owners came aboard and gave notice of the termination of their services.

The crew alleged that since their last week-end no food was supplied. To maintain themselves and their families, they borrowed food from neighbouring ships.

Legislators Veto Appointment Of Aged Chu Cheng

Canton, May 31.—The Legislative Yuan in a surprise vote this morning refused to confirm the appointment of Mr. Chu Cheng as Premier of China by one vote.

Though he led by 151 to 143 votes at the end of the stormy morning-long session, Chu's confirmation was stopped when he failed to receive a majority of the 303 votes cast. Nine ballots were declared invalid by the six-member ballot inspection committee.

At the second session this afternoon Chu's supporters tried to force a second balloting but the motion was disallowed by chairman Li Chien-chun.

Under the constitution of China it is still possible for Chu to be recommended again and to be confirmed by the legislators. Whether this will occur or not is still in doubt; Acting President Li Tsung-jen has not indicated any further nomination.

The Legislative Yuan, which was to have recessed today, voted to move the end of the session to Friday when they will consider new recommendations for Premier.

Too Old
Opponents of Chu's appointment based their arguments on the fact that he is too old and that he is not a military man. They say the 73-year-old Kuomintang veteran and member of the Party's inner council would lack the vigour and the military experience necessary to head the Cabinet when the civil war is going so badly for the Nationalists.

They were silent during the debate on Chu's declared intention of including the Young China and Democratic Socialist Parties in the Cabinet if he became Premier.

Some of the stiffest opposition came from legislators who favour the appointment of Marshal Yen Shih-shen, defender of Talyuan and Governor of Shanghai, to the premiership. There is also some sentiment that General Ho Ying-chin who resigned yesterday be re-appointed.

The legislators' failure to confirm Chu's appointment came as a surprise to local observers who had expected it to be only a matter of form. Ordinarily, failure to confirm would mean recommendation of a new candidate by the Acting President and approval by the Kuomintang Standing Committee before action by the Legislative Yuan.

Some believe that the task of finding someone who will take the difficult job will probably force Li to re-recommend Chu.

Meanwhile, it was revealed that Li told a gathering of legislators yesterday that General Ho Ying-chin had threatened suicide if his resignation as premier was not accepted.

Li said that Ho had repeatedly requested acceptance of his resignation and had said that he would jump into the sea if it was not accepted on this occasion.

It is thought, however, that he will continue as a member of the Cabinet, probably in the post of Minister of National Defence which he had held concurrently with the premiership.—United Press and Reuter—A.P.

EISLER LANDS IN PRAGUE

Prague, Czechoslovakia, May 31.—

Gerhart Eisler landed in Prague today en route from London to Germany.

"I am glad to be in Czechoslovakia and not in the United States," the Communist leader told reporters as he left the plane.

There was no official delegation on hand to greet Eisler. Two security police plainclothesmen were at the airport and took him to a special room, where he was not obliged to comply with ordinary customs regulations.

The German-born Communist, who had been in the United States since 1945, arrived only a few minutes before the plane took off. His name was on the passenger list and his baggage bore no labels.

Eisler has been billed as the main speaker at a rally set for tonight by the National Council for Civil Liberties. He was given a "Thanks, People of Britain" speech.

Eisler, who jumped bail in the United States and stowed away on the Polish liner Batory, was tried by a British court last Friday. At that time he was charged with the Batory by British police in Southampton.

Eisler was given a travel permit by the British Government after his release. He said he intended to proceed to Poland and then Germany where he had been offered a professorship at Leipzig University in the Russian occupation zone.—Associated Press.

(More News On Eisler on page 2)

Chinese In Hong Kong To Mark Dragon Boat Feast

The Stage is all set for the Dragon Boat Festival, one of the most important and popular of the Chinese community in traditional style.

A highlight of today's celebrations will be the Dragon Boat races organised by the Chung Shing Benevolent Society and which will be held at Kennedy Town between 3.30 p.m. and 4.30 p.m.

The multi-coloured dragon boats normally used for these races measure from 50 to 100 feet in length and are broad enough to seat two men abreast.

The boats are designed after the shape of a dragon. The coxswain stands in the prow and beats a large-sized Chinese drum to regulate the strokes of the oarsmen, at the same time uttering forceful yells exhorting the crew to give of their best.

These dragon boat races may be regarded as the Chinese version of the annual Oxford-Cambridge boat races and attract thousands of spectators from all over the Colony.

Chinese restaurants and tea-houses have been making feverish preparations for the festival and have been turning out thousands of rice dumplings which will be the main item on the menu in Chinese homes today.

Many foreign residents, particularly newcomers, have been somewhat puzzled at the sight of the large number of small parcels wrapped in bamboo leaves displayed outside Chinese restaurants and tea-houses. These parcels contain rice dumplings and the coloured streamers which flutter gaily in the breeze denote the type of rice dumpling for sale.

The contents of the rice dumplings consist of a variety of ingredients, such as salted egg yolk, slices of cooked pork, roast pork, duck, chicken, ham, bean or sweetened bean paste.

The Dragon Boat Festival is usually a day of feasting and merry-making, with religious ceremonies before the ancestral tablets also forming part of the programme.

One of the "delicacies" to be laid out before the ancestral tablets tonight will be rice dumplings.

For Children
The Dragon Boat Festival is also a happy day for the children, who are usually the recipients of small embroidered "charms" containing amulets of sandalwood powder.

In the more superstitious Chinese homes, the children are "dotted" on the forehead and body with red ink to ward off illness and evil spirits.

The origin of the festival centres round the story of a Chinese statesman named Wat Yuen, famed for his honesty and uprightness.

According to the story which has come down through the ages, Wat Yuen was very much concerned about improving the lot of the poorer classes and had, on several occasions, brought to the notice of the Emperor, certain reforms which were considered necessary.

However, the other councillors of the Emperor were not interested in the plight of the masses and by force of numbers were able to over-ride Wat Yuen's proposals for reform.

In a moment of despair, Wat Yuen is said to have flung himself into a river and was drowned.

When the news of his drowning came to the notice of the Emperor, he was overcome with grief and immediately gave orders for the Imperial Dragon Boat to search for the body of Wat Yuen. All efforts to recover the body were unsuccessful.

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The Weather

At 0600 GMT (3 p.m. HKST) from a depression over Tonkin an active trough extends ENE, connecting Eastward with low depressions over the Eastern Sea and to the SE of Tokyo. The ridge pressure from the Pacific anti-cyclone to the Philippines.
Today's Forecast—Moderate winds from a S quarter. Weather partly cloudy with scattered showers.
Yesterday's Weather—Maximum 88.5 deg. Fah. Minimum 81.4 deg. Fah. Sunshine 5.5 hours.
Rainfall: Nil. Total since Jan. 1—88.4 mm.—14.96 in. as against an average of 870.1 mm.—34.25 in.
Readings at:
10 a.m. 4 p.m.
Bar. at m.s.l. 1007.3 1005.6 m.s.l.
Temp. 29.1 28.5 m.s.l.
Rel. Humidity 80 77 %
Dew Point 75 76 deg. F.
Wind Direction SW SW
Wind Force 10 10 knots
Clouds 100 100
High 1017 1017
Low 1013 1013
Tide 0.1 0.1

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ROTARIANS HEAR TALK ON THE GOOD OLD DAYS

Memories of Hong Kong in 1914, its people and its environment, its sports and its fun, were recalled by Colonel E. J. R. Mitchell in his talk at the Hong Kong Rotary Club yesterday.

"Those were the good old days—days which I fear will never come back, days when we had no traffic problems, no refugee problems, and no housing problems, a very much pleasanter place to live in, with a slower and quieter life than we have here today," reminisced the speaker.

Colonel Mitchell, giving his first impression of Hong Kong upon his arrival on July 11, 1914, said:

"After having spent my first morning in the office, being introduced to the ways of the East, and being measured for white clothes by Tak Chong, the tailor, I repaired to the Hong Kong Club at lunchtime, where my uncle Charles Luffenz, introduced me to several old friends of my father, and also to that horrible drink gin. I was then asked to sign a form applying for membership, and was told that if I behaved myself I would be duly elected, and would have three months in which to pay my entrance fee of \$100. My uncle who did the necessary introductions, then asked me if I had any visiting cards, he proceeded to extract half my supply from me, and told me he would call on the Peak that afternoon, while I was given a list of desirable people to call upon on the lower levels and in Kowloon, being instructed to change any boxes marked 'in' to 'out', in order to get on with the job. Having done this in good time, I repaired to my abode, which was the Kensington private Hotel, on the site now occupied by a number of Chinese flats in Kennedy Road, between Garden Road and the Tram Station, where I enjoyed my first game of tennis in Hong Kong on a hard court.

only transport to the Peak was the Peak Tram or a four 'coolie' chair for a dollar. If you missed the last or midnight train, if you had dined well at the club, the Indian watchman would see you into your chair for the long journey, tell the coolies the number of your house, and you would sleep till dawn. I remember once insisting on being taken up the stairs of the Old 'Kingsclere' with my friend Watkins after a cheery evening, and the rear coolie, bumping into a blackwood stand which collapsed with such an infernal din and clatter that it awoke our landlady Mrs. Sachse, who must have thought she was having a nightmare when she saw us paying off our coolies half way up the stairs of the hotel. The most crowded Peak Tram was the ten to eight in the evening or Gin Train, and we befuddled any young man who took the double seat at the end of the front compartment, which on that tram always belonged to Percy Smith, the fastest man I ever knew. He was reputed to have had to have a boy to get him in and out of his bath, with a special steps up and down.

No Motors

"There were no motors in Hong Kong except a Silent Night Daimler owned by Mr. David Landale, father of our present member of the Legislative Council, and another owned by Dr. Noble, the famous American dentist. Every one went about in sedan chairs or rickshaws. The taxis had four coolie chairs with special uniforms for the chair coolies, and you could often identify a Jardine, B. & S., Hongkong Bank or other Tai Pan's wife by the uniform of her chair coolie. The Governor's coolies were dressed out in crimson with a white circle around an imperial crown. The

"The population in Hong Kong was so small, and there were so few married people here, including not more than half a dozen unmarried girls, that dances were few and far between. The Centipede Club, the 153 C.C., and the Centipede Club had to be careful not to clash with their dances, otherwise there would not have been sufficient partners to go around. I remember going to one of these dances, and getting escorted by three dances out of a total of 12 to 15 on the programme. We used to run a bridge live in the bar and four played with the other one danced. The Hong Kong Hotel did not institute anything in the way of dances until after

the first war. The present lounge upstairs was a reading room and the present Grill was Baxter's Bar.

Club Supreme

"At Association Football, nobody could beat the Club, and the League was made up of the Club, and the Army and Navy, which was the only team at the time. This Club was just learning to play the game, but we felt sorry for them as though they were not so well developed as they are now. Neither had the Chinese started swimming, and launches were only used by the European members of firms, who had different days of the week during the summer to take their launches usually to Stonecutters for a bath and a back home becoming popular and the great way of spending Sunday was to take a rickshaw from Garden Road to the Happy Valley Course, at a cost of 10 cts. If you walked up the hill by the old Naval Hospital, and 20 cts. if you were carried up the hill. The idea was to play simple questions, the honest answering of which would serve to prove the case or otherwise of applying for naturalisation, he has sought to evade the point at issue by requesting my full correct name and address.

In conclusion, might I point out to Mr. Harmon that any information which he can give on the subject would be most beneficial to members of the public, particularly the Chinese. When I refer to Chinese, I mean the average Chinese and not the type of Chinese who are well in with Government 'big shots' and who, in consequence of their association with the latter, can obtain what they want without the slightest difficulty.

Correspondence

The Editor takes no responsibility for views expressed in letters by correspondents, and by no means necessarily agrees with them.

Disappointed

Sir—I fail to see why Mr. W. Gordon Harmon, Public Relations Officer, should request publication of my full correct name and address before he will endeavour to meet my wishes for further particulars regarding the means by which one can secure naturalisation.

Is Mr. Harmon under the impression that I intend applying for naturalisation? If so, I am afraid I must disappoint him. I have no need to apply for naturalisation as I am a British Subject by birth and possess papers to prove the fact. My initial letter was not directed towards Mr. Harmon but was written as a result of your editorial of May 25, on the subject of 'Government Reform.' In your editorial, you commented upon the fact that Chinese who wish to live here permanently and desire to vote should apply for naturalisation. I pointed out, in the first place, that it was not an easy matter for Chinese to apply for naturalisation. Mr. Harmon saw fit to deny my assertion. Yet, when I asked him two very simple questions, the honest answering of which would serve to prove the case or otherwise of applying for naturalisation, he has sought to evade the point at issue by requesting my full correct name and address.

SIMPLE SIMON.

Sir—The dictatorial attitude adopted by Mr. W. Gordon Harmon, Public Relations Officer, in his reply today to 'Simple Simon' is deplorable. I think it is safe to say that his statement, although made in his official capacity, does not represent Government's policy. I may ask what right has the Public Relations Officer, who replied to an anonymous letter four days ago, to demand now that the same writer reveal his identity and address—and indeed to make such a disclosure conditional on his (the P. R. O.) making available information which is in public interest? The Public Relations Officer's letter makes one wonder for what purpose the office of P. R. O. was created.

In view of your leading article last week on naturalisation, information on the procedure and formalities—requested by 'Simple Simon'—in applying for British naturalisation papers, a of interest to the general public and should be made available to the public unconditionally.

'Simple Simon' should have used the words 'particular class' instead of 'particular race' as it is obvious that here in Hong Kong only a particular class of citizens enjoy privileges.

The Public Relations Officer, when replying to 'Simple Simon's' first letter should have followed up with a complete list of the formalities one has to go through before one can obtain British naturalisation papers. To make such information conditional on the disclosure of an anonymous letter writer's full name and address is outrageous.

LOCAL CITIZEN.

Sir—I most certainly subscribe to the deprecations expressed by the Editor of the 'Sunday Herald' of some of the remarks contained

in Mr. Woodhead's article which appeared in last Sunday's issue.

I refer to the invidious statement he has made on those who claim the privilege of 'Dual Nationality.' Mr. Woodhead, in order to support the contention made in his article, has sought to bring into his circle of stigmatised Chinese thousands of Chinese including those who have given their lives to England, many of them with British decorations.

I can assure him that dual nationality was not demanded by the Chinese as he insists but imposed on them by an agreement between Britain and China. This ambiguous status relieved British of a lot of responsibility should British born Chinese become involved in legal actions in China as they could not ask for British protection, extrajudicial or otherwise.

This enigmatic situation of dual nationality was first brought to my attention by Mr. Heathcote Smith, British Consul in Kowloon, when an application for a passport was made to him and he informed the applicant that a British passport issued to a Chinese would not be valid while he was in China. When I voiced my disapproval, he said these instructions were received from the British Government and he showed me the passport regulations in which the status of dual nationals was clearly defined. I have even seen passports issued in China during the war to Chinese for travel overseas with this dual nationality clause inscribed in them.

So far as I am aware, Britain is the only foreign country with such an agreement with China. I understand Japan had one but since it was only unilateral it was not recognised by other countries, otherwise the American born Japanese who were tried by the United States for treason for serving in the Japanese Army would have escaped their fate.

In August Mr. Woodhead be sure of his facts before he writes on a subject on which he apparently has little information.

DUAL NATIONAL.

Sir—We are amazed at a time like the present, when the conservation of food stocks is a matter of grave concern to Government, which has taken measures to ensure that adequate supplies will be available in case of emergency, to find in the 'Kung Pao' of Tuesday last, an article of which the following is a literal translation:

"The Government of Hong Kong has caused controlled rice to be made available in the local market by releasing ten thousand bags of rice. This rice is still almost uncontaminated by the poorer classes who long for the relief that the ability to purchase such rice would bring. For this reason, our reporter interviewed the Rice Controller, Mr. Christenson, in the presence of members of his staff who translated to him extracts from the local Press on the subject of rice control, the import of which was that as soon as controlled rice reaches the retailers, it is sold on the open market at prices far in excess of the controlled price of \$38.55. The Rice Controller met this statement with the remark: 'This is beyond our control, and the following exchange then took place:

Q: "Is this really beyond your control?"
A: "Yes."
Q: "In that case rice control is useless."
A: (A shrug of the shoulders indicating helplessness).
Q: "The Government prepared to publish the names and addresses of retailers of controlled rice?"
A: "You must ask the Rice Guild for that information."
Q: "If what you have said is true, why should Government trouble to undertake rice control?"
A: "I cannot debate that point with you. I cannot receive reporters and I am not permitted to make statements to the Press. I must refer you to the Rice Guild."

The comment following this exchange is: "The population cannot obtain rationed rice, and rumour has it that 'defence' will be raised at present market prices; whilst the Rice Controller adopts this attitude."

Surely this is a most remarkable state of affairs. Either the Rice Controller, who is either directly or indirectly a Government official, has been badly misled, or there exists a state of affairs, in regard to rice control, that needs a good deal of public airing. In either case it is apparent that Government must take action. If this report is untrue, Mr. Christenson is entitled to Government's support in the clearance of his name. If the report carried by the 'Kung Pao' is true, the control of rationed rice has passed from the hands of Government to the extent that rationed rice is being sold at open market prices, then there is need for immediate investigation and action on the part of the Government, where the investigation may lead.

You will be rendering this community a service of inestimable value if you will endeavour to obtain and print the whole of this matter. For your better information, a copy of this article referred to above, is enclosed herewith.

Clarks Complaint

The Army authorities for the past 18 months have kept civilian employees in high hopes with promises that our salaries were being revised to equal those of the Hong Kong Government and the Admiralty.

These promises finally bore fruit this week, when circulars were received in all WD Offices of respective increases.

A Clerk 'C1' from minimum \$220, to new minimum of \$275; A Clerk 'C2' from minimum \$150, to new minimum of \$230; and so on. Reading this our faces were full of smiles and complete joy reigned in our midst. Some were busy calculating how long it would take them to square off debts incurred during these 18 months of high hopes, others joined together in sending silent prayers to the Officers concerned who looked after interests so unselfishly.

But our joys were short lived for—right below this good news was an insert that all clerks would be automatically down graded i.e. a Clerk 'C1' will go down to Clerk 'B', and all the increase he would get, after a waiting of 18 months, was a beggarly \$10.00. Seeing this dirty trick our silent prayers turned to something unprintable, and with good reason too. It is silly and absurd to presume that this is not one clerk in our (Continued on Page 3)

Personalia

Squadron Leader D. Gail will address the Rotary Club tomorrow at the Peninsula Hotel. His subject will be "Coastal Command."

Departures to Saigon yesterday by Air France included Mr. and Mrs. H. Ghiesse, Messrs. W.T. Syonall, M. Pissarello and M. O'Donnovan.

Arrivals yesterday from Hainan by Air France were Messrs. Bernard Barberob Guy Harlin, and M. Moret.

Mr. Portmann, of the Bank of England, who visited Hong Kong on a previous occasion, will arrive in the Colony tomorrow. He will hold discussions with the Financial Secretary.

Arrivals from Canton yesterday by the S. P. Express included Mr. J. R. Penhallurick, Mrs. J. M. Moore, Mr. Thos. P. H. Waters, Mr. Frank Evans, Mrs. Annie Evans, the Reverend Mr. Maurice L. Collings, Mrs. Dorothy M. Collings, the Reverend Mr. H. P. Bunton, Mrs. C. M. Bunton, Mrs. Iris A. Boyd, Mr. C. H. Thomas, Mrs. E. S. Blackstone, Mrs. E. W. Lockwood, Mr. Albert V. Ravenholt, Mrs. M. S. Ravenholt, Mr. J. Elliott Fisher, Mrs. Gladys E. Fisher, Mr. Fred. D. Schultheis, Mrs. E. B. Schultheis, Cmdr. J. M. LeMouroux and Mr. Mario M. Rocchi.

Departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Monday included Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Glaser, Mr. and Mrs. S. Shofman, Mrs. K. Bhakdi, Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Chang, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Zennaro, Mr. and Mrs. William L. Davis, Messrs. A. S. Belcher, W. P. Tucker, G. Bates, and R. C. Howard.

Among the new arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Tuesday were Mr. and Mrs. O. Belzer, Mrs. K. Brakozurky, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Krick, Messrs. F. Smolkin, B. V. Cocks, A. Colton, L. MacDonald, L. S. S. Kahn, K. Alsic, and F. R. Rolst.

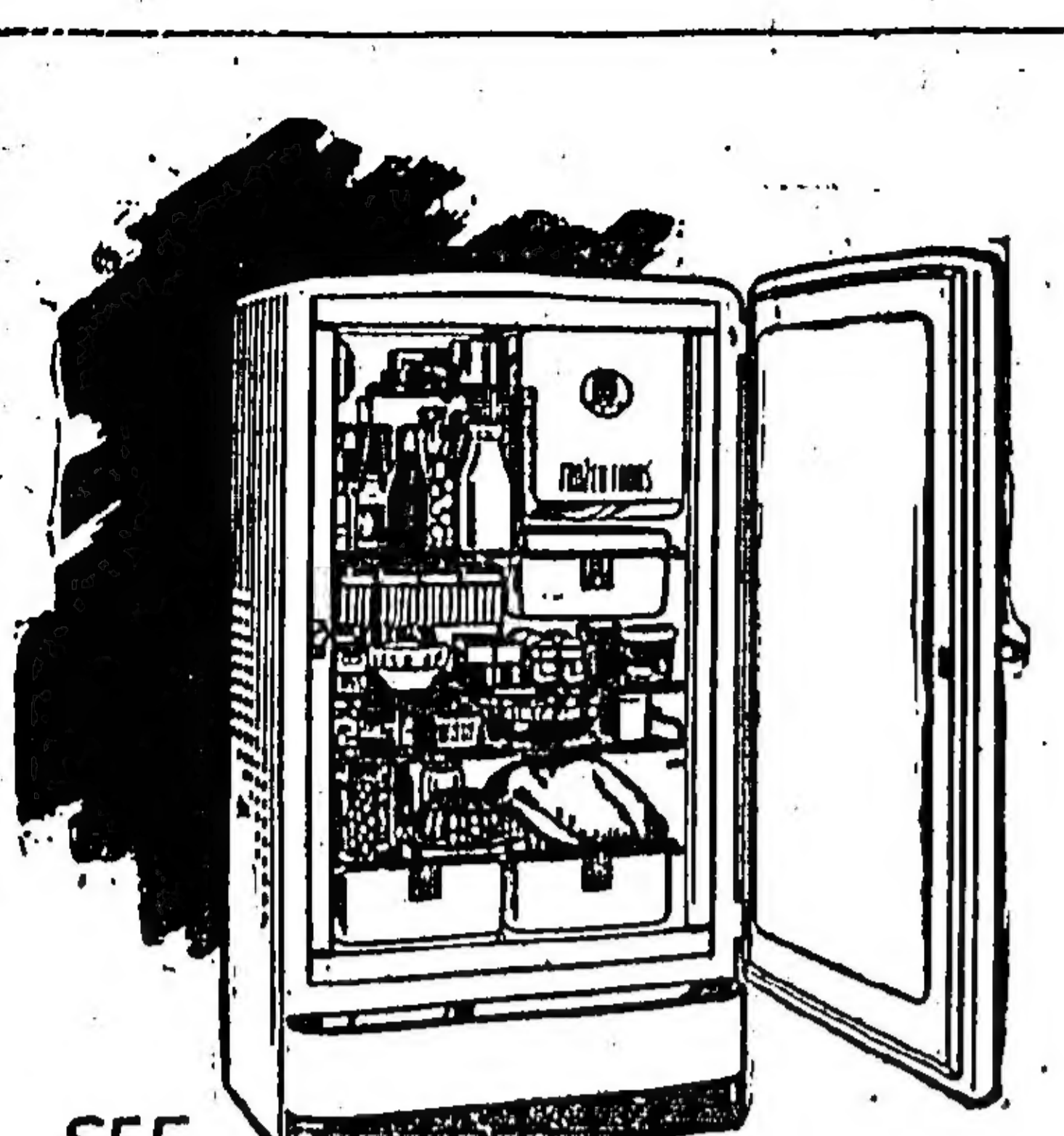
The following passengers arrived here yesterday from Canton by Hong Kong Airways: Mr. W. W. Young, Mrs. M. B. Young, Mr. H. W. Wilkison, Mr. W. G. Davis, Mr. W. G. Brown, Mr. J. J. Brennan, Mr. T. Montevilla, Mr. N. R. Schwartz, Mr. D. A. Lompard, Mr. E. L. Souder, Mr. E. A. Toomey, Mr. M. J. Galka, Mr. W. R. Klein, Mr. A. J. Maloney, Mr. W. J. Brockway and Sidney.

Yesterday's arrivals from Manila by the PAL were: Mr. James R. Puckett, Mr. Lawrence Schmidt and Mr. Charlie L. Corn. Leaving for Canton yesterday by Hong Kong Airways were: Miss E. A. Anderson and Mr. F. W. Scott.

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SALE OF CROWN LAND

An auction sale of Crown Land will be held at P.W.D. Headquarters on Monday, the 13th day of June, 1949 at 3 p.m.

The area which comprises 9,000 square feet is situated at Tai Po Road and is suitable for residential purposes.

Further particulars are available from the Government Gazette of 27th May, 1949 or from the Crown Lands & Survey Office.

ANDREW NICOL, Actg. Director of Public Works. May 23, 1949.

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In pursuance of the policy of progressive price reduction, the Company takes pleasure in announcing the following further reductions in charges which will be effective from 1st July 1949:—

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BULK SUPPLIERS.

All Consumers having bulk supply contracts with the Company will be notified direct of the reduction in the rates to be charged under their respective contracts.

By Order of the Board of Directors

P. W. A. WOOD,
Secretary & Chief Accountant.

Hong Kong: May 31, 1949.

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Any witnesses of this accident are asked to communicate with the TRAFFIC OFFICE, KOWLOON, or with any Police Station.

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE.

May 28, 1949.

THE HONG KONG
JOCKEY CLUB

NOTICE

WHITSUN RACE MEETING

1st Day—June 4, 1949

6th Race, Gloucester Handicap,

2nd Section

The Handicap Weights in the

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5 lb. all round.

The correct weights will appear in the Race Book.

By Order,
D. L. PROPHET,
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The Company is now able to register transfers, and holders of share certificates desiring same transferred into their names should arrange for delivery of such scrip with relevant transfers attached to the Registered Office of the Company, 3rd Floor, Prince's Building, Des Voeux Road, Central, Hong Kong, before the 14th June, 1949.

By Order of the Board,

MARTIN & CO.,
Secretaries.

Hong Kong, May 31, 1949.

NOTICE
NEW YORK FREIGHT
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NOTICE TO SHIPPERS
AND/OR CONSIGNEES
CARGO FOR SHANGHAI

Owing to the civil war in China affecting the port of Shanghai, all cargo destined for Shanghai and carried in vessels operated by Members of this Conference will be landed at Hongkong and stored at the risk and expense of the owners of the cargo and the Contract of Carriage will thereby be considered as completed in terms of the Carriers' Bill of Lading.

LOWE, BINGHAM &
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NOTICE

Mr. Jimmy Foo (胡家祥) is no longer authorized to act on behalf of our Studio in connection with any photographic assignments of whatsoever nature nor to collect any outstanding accounts due to us.

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OFFICIAL NOTICE

PROPOSAL TO CHANGE
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We, Hong Kong Transportation Co., Ltd., Marina House, hereby give notice that in consequence of Maintaining Company nomenclature. We have applied to the Minister of Transport, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the MOTOR TUG MANTIS of PHILIPPINES REGISTRY Gross tonnage 95.42 tons Register tonnage 14.56 tons, heretofore owned by Foreign Liquidation Commission and also by Luzon Stevedoring Company Inc., of Manila for permission to change her name to HKT "MANTIS" and to have her registered in the new name at the Port of HONG KONG as owned by the Hong Kong Transportation Company Limited, Marina House, Hong Kong.

Any objection to the proposed change of name must be sent to the REGISTRAR OF SHIPPING at HONG KONG within SEVEN days from the appearance of this advertisement.

Dated at HONG KONG the 30th day of May, 1949.

THE HONG KONG
TRANSPORTATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

OFFICIAL NOTICE

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We, Hong Kong Transportation Co., Ltd., Marina House, hereby give notice that in consequence of Maintaining Company nomenclature. We have applied to the Minister of Transport, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the DUMB LIGHTER L-523 of PHILIPPINES REGISTRY Gross tonnage 206.14 tons Register tonnage 205.50 tons, heretofore owned by Foreign Liquidation Commission and also by Luzon Stevedoring Company Inc., of Manila for permission to change her name to HKT L-523 and to have her registered in the new name at the Port of HONG KONG as owned by the Hong Kong Transportation Company Limited, Marina House, Hong Kong.

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Dated at HONG KONG the 30th day of May, 1949.

THE HONG KONG
TRANSPORTATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

NOTICE TO MEMBERS

Whitsun Race Meeting,

SATURDAY, 4th and MONDAY, 6th JUNE 1949.

On the First Day, Saturday, 4th June, the First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and the first race will be run at 2.30 p.m.; on the Second Day, Monday 6th June, the First Bell will be rung at 11.30 a.m. and the first race will be run at 12 noon. The Tiffin interval will be after the fourth race (1.30 p.m.).

Through Numbers (22 Races—\$44.00) may be obtained at the Office of the Treasurers, 1st Floor, Telephone House, also tickets for the Special Cash Sweep on the last race of the second day. Tickets in the Special Cash Sweep on the last race of the second day may be purchased also at the Club's Branch Office, No. 382, Nathan Road, Kowloon.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND ENCLOSURE. Members and guests are reminded that they and their ladies MUST wear their badges PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED throughout the Meeting.

NO ONE WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10 each day including tax are obtainable through the Secretary on the written or personal introduction of the Member, each Member, to be responsible for all chits etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the RACE COURSE.

The Treasurers' Comptroller's Office will close at 11 a.m. the First Day and at 9.30 a.m. on the Second Day. The Secretary's office will close at 11.45 a.m. the First Day and at 10 a.m. on the Second Day. Both Offices at 1st floor, Telephone House.

A limited number of Tiffins will be obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy (Tel. 27818).

NO CHILDREN WILL BE ADMITTED TO THE CLUB'S PREMISES DURING THE MEETING.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE. The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is 25 including tax for all persons including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Bookmakers, Tie Men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting. Refreshments will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES.

Servants' passes will be issued to Private Box holders ONLY, who are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes. Holders of such passes are not permitted to enter the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties and must remain in their employers' stands.

BY ORDER

D. L. PROPHET,
Actg. Secretary.

NORTHCOTE TRAINING
COLLEGE

It is hereby notified that applications for admission in September, next to the above College will be accepted on the recognized forms which can be obtained from the Education Department, Windsor House (3rd Floor), Hong Kong, or from the undersigned.

2. Candidates for the English side are required, to have passed either the School Leaving or Matriculation Examinations, but application will also be accepted from those who have sat for these examinations in 1949, pending the announcement of the results.

3. Candidates for the Vernacular side will be required to show that they have completed the Senior Middle Course.

4. All eligible candidates will sit for the entrance examination, which commences on July 10, and which will consist of:

Part I. General Information Tests (in English or Chinese).

Part II. A (English side only) English, written papers (from which Matriculated students are exempted).

Part II. B (Vernacular side only) Chinese; Elementary English; Mathematics; General Science; History; and Geography.

Part III. Personal Interview.

Part IV. Medical Examination.

5. Application forms must reach the undersigned not later than July 2.

W. J. DYER,

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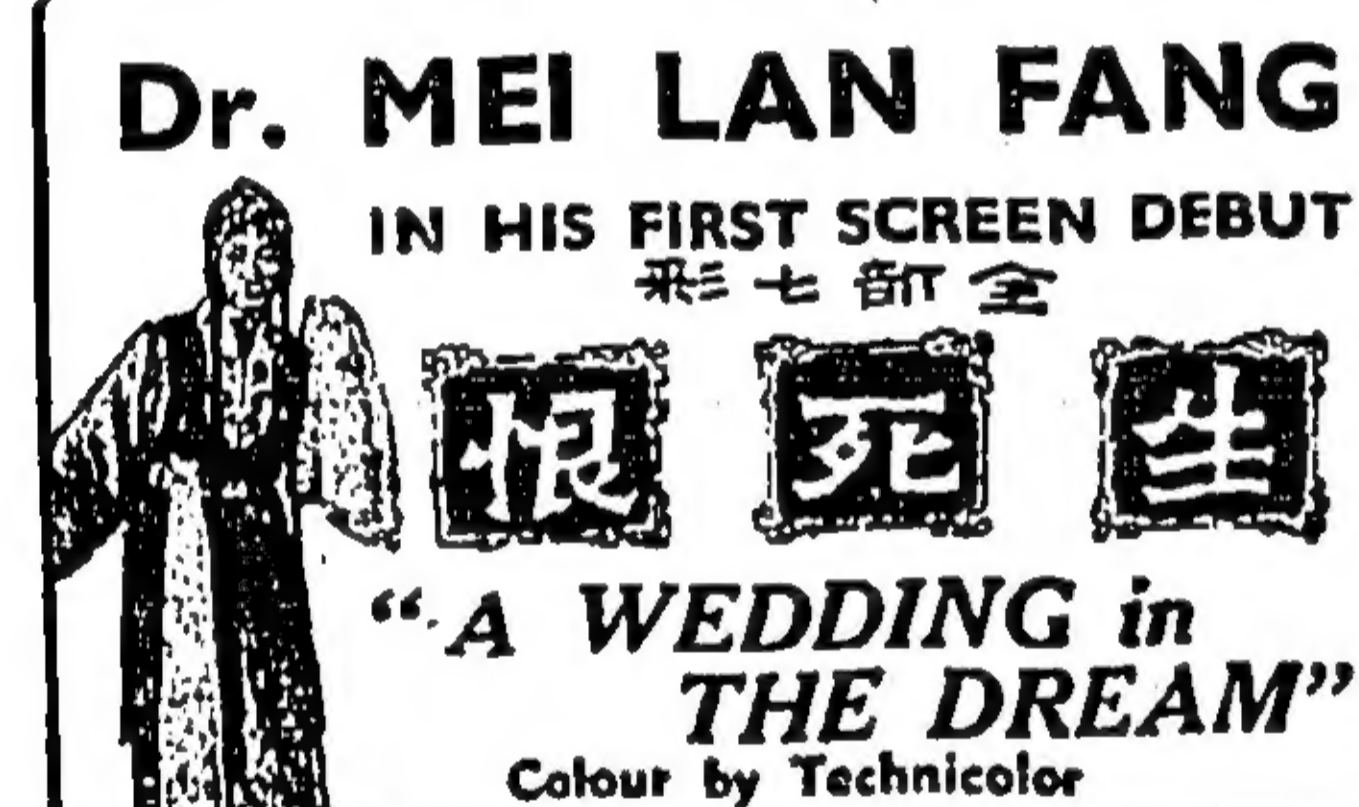
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JAMES MASON in **"THE UPTURNED GLASS"**

EXPLORATORY TALKS ON ASIA SITUATION

London, May 30.

Nations with Communist-threatened interests in the Far East are holding informal consultations on economic and political policies. The consultations are described as exploratory.

Nations participating are Britain, the United States, France, the Netherlands, Belgium, India, New Zealand and Australia. Britain is said to be taking the initiative as opponent of a wait and see attitude towards the spread of Communism in Asia.

Britain is also described as wanting positive and concerted action by the Western powers if the whole of the Far East is not to be engulfed.

Informal consultations among the interested powers are proceeding in London, Washington, Paris and Nanking, and although the question of recognising Communist China has not yet arisen, the new Chinese regime is included in discussions on the policy of economic reconstruction for Asia as a whole.

The consultations do not include military aspects, although it is agreed that the shift of power in China necessitates re-planning of defensive strategy from Japan to the Indian Ocean. The main emphasis of the consultations is on the need for concerted action in the economic field. It is agreed by most participants that the Western powers

cannot stand in the path of genuine nationalism in Asia and that they must strive instead to reach an agreement with it through timely and prudent concessions.

All interested nations have agreed that a Pacific pact is impossible at the time. British sources point out that the nucleus of a defensive pact exists among the Commonwealth countries, and with United States material aid this is the best that can be hoped for at present.

Europe First

British sources say a Pacific pact would weaken rather than strengthen the Western powers because it would entail multiplicity of commitments. They point out that fulfilment of military commitments in the vast area reaching from Persia to Japan could be exploited by hostile diplomacy aiming at diversion of the Western nations resources.

The United States and Britain are agreed on the policy that defence of the Western world against aggression is in Western Europe and that anything likely to weaken the position there is to be avoided.

India is strongly advocating concerted policy of economic reconstruction throughout Asia as a whole and is pressing France and the Netherlands to settle disorders in Indo-China and Indonesia so that such a policy may be implemented in those areas.

Australia favours a regional defence scheme under the leadership of India, Pakistan, Australia and New Zealand.

Aid For Hong Kong

Both the Australian Prime Minister, Mr. J. B. Chifley, and the External Affairs Minister, Dr. Herbert Evatt, have said they regard India and Pakistan as main defences against Communist expansion in the South Pacific. Australia is also advocating the appointment of a Minister with Cabinet status to South East Asia so decisions can be taken on the spot without reference to Whitehall. Australian reports today said the Australian government has expressed readiness to send Australian troops and planes from Japan to reinforce the garrison of Hong Kong if requested by Britain.

In the meantime, the Commonwealth Ambassadors in Rangoon are making headway in their plans for Commonwealth aid to Burma and an official announcement is expected soon, giving the nature and extent of such aid.—United Press.

AMERICAN EYES ON CHINA

Washington, May 30.

The State Department is working out a policy for doing business with a Communist China, official sources said here today.

This policy, like that which governs American economic relations with Eastern Europe, is based on two major restrictions:

- (1) No American loans; what the Chinese buy from the United States they will have to pay for in cash or goods
- (2) No strategic materials; goods now barred from trade with Russia and Eastern Europe will not be sold to Communist China.

The State Department is also studying the Chinese situation and its impact on general American foreign policy toward the Far East.

Officials believe that it is only a question of time before the Communists take over the whole territory of China and proclaim a new Chinese Government.

This will raise the question of American recognition.

While no final decision has been made, all indications are that the United States Government will eventually recognise the new regime and establish diplomatic relations with it. Already, American diplomats are in contact with local Communist authorities in key cities like Tientsin, Peking and Nanking.—Reuter.

Yugoslav Protest To Hungary

Belgrade, May 30.

Yugoslavia has protested against a Hungarian note requesting the withdrawal, by midnight yesterday, of a Yugoslav Reparations Commission from Hungary.

The request is described as a violation of the peace treaty.

In a note handed to the Hungarian Foreign Minister in Budapest, Yugoslavia states that the Commission, which also deals with the restitution of Yugoslav property, will not be withdrawn until the Hungarians have fulfilled their obligations under the treaty.

The protest follows an exchange of notes since Hungary stopped reparations to Yugoslavia. An official Yugoslav statement here today said that repeated Yugoslav offers to negotiate on the Hungarian request to reduce the reparations by one-half have been ignored or rejected.

Hungary's latest note, last Wednesday, barred negotiations because it was alleged that Yugoslavia has indulged in a flagrant anti-Hungarian campaign.—Reuter.

THE VATICAN AND ISRAEL

Vatican City, May 30.

Mr. Myron Taylor, personal representative of the President of the United States at the Vatican, is believed to be discussing possible recognition by the Holy See of the new State of Israel.

Internationalisation of the Holy Places might be a condition of possible recognition.

No comment was available from either Mr. Taylor or informed Vatican sources.

Mr. Taylor, like Monsignor Gervasio Testa, Apostolic delegate in Jerusalem, who is now in Rome, has recently had talks with high officials of the Vatican Secretariat of State.—Reuter.

Baron's Heir In Court

St. Peter Port, Guernsey, May 30.

The heir of a British baron, John Michael Lawes-Wittowronge, aged 16, was remanded in the Magistrate's Court here today, charged with wounding a detective with intent to murder him.

The boy is the son of Sir John Lawes-Wittowronge, of La Colombelle, Guernsey. He is charged with wounding Detective-Sergeant Harry Dyson, now in hospital here with a bullet wound in his left side.

Only formal evidence of arrest was given at today's proceedings.—Reuter.

Another Labour MP On Carpet

London, May 30.

Informed Labour Party sources said today that the Party's national executive is likely to expel Lester Hutchinson, left wing Labourite MP who accompanied Mr. Henry Wallace on a recent peace tour through the United States.

The sources added that Mr. Hutchinson, who boarded a cargo boat at New York for Britain on Sunday, will be invited to justify his political activities before a special committee of the Labour Party National Executive.

Mr. Hutchinson's formal expulsion is expected at the end of June when the next ordinary meeting of the Executive will be held.

The Executive has closely watched Mr. Hutchinson's activities for some time. If expelled, he will be the fifth Labour MP to be kicked out of the party recently.—United Press.

WESTERN UNION AIR GAMES

London, May 30.

The Western Union Air Forces will be represented for the first time in an Air Force exercise to be held in South East England and the Channel Islands from June 25 to July 3.

France, Belgium, and The Netherlands are sending officers as observers. It was announced by their respective Air Ministries today.

The Netherlands will also contribute a squadron of Meteors to aid British fighters and guns against an attacking bomber force.

Night raids will be made by enemy bombers and by day there will be attacks by Superfortresses of the 3rd Air Division of the United States Air Force.—Reuter.

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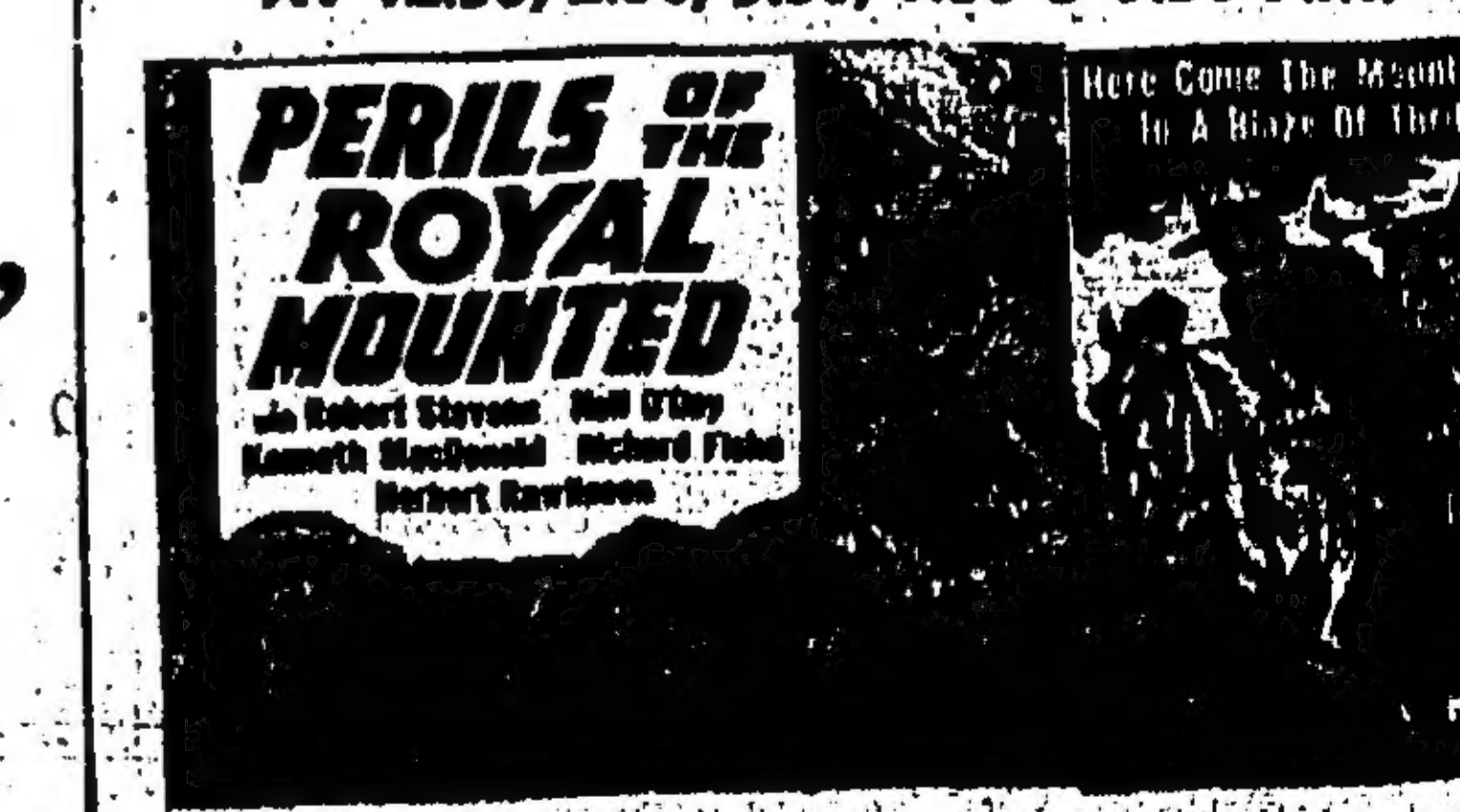


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THE MINDSZENTY STORY

Burdens Of The Peace Treaty

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"It is here that on this day the attention of the whole country has been centred ever since, a century ago, my predecessors returned from Pozsony and Nagyszombat after their enforced absence; for statements affecting the whole nation have been made yearly in this Cathedral, more especially by Justinian Seredi, of blessed memory the great Primate who was also a great exponent of law."

"Today, in 1949, Hungarians look to the West, to the scene of the peace negotiations, watching anxiously to see how far the fundamental principles of a just and reassuring peace—so often proclaimed during and after the war—are being applied to the country of St. Stephen."

"On these grave days of waiting, on this feast charged with historical memories, I send to the Peace Conference, in the name of the Hungarian Catholic Church and the nation, through the World Church, these statements and requests in the interests of eternal truth and the suffering millions of my fellow-Hungarians."

"1. Hungary is the last branch here in Central Europe of the Ecclesiastical Tree, spreading all over the world. For two thousand years this mighty tree has borne the blessed fruit of human civilisation for the happiness of peoples and nations. It is not a matter of indifference to civilisation whether the Central European branch of this tree be split into five or six pieces and wither, or be able to serve with full strength the mission it has fulfilled for a thousand years."

"2. Hungary herself has immortal and hitherto unappreciated merits in the defence of civilisation. Ever since the Magyar settlement here, but especially in the thirteenth to the seventeenth centuries, Hungary has defended with her own flesh and blood the peace and prosperity of the West. That is why Michellet, in his 'History of France' (chapter VIII, pp. 63-64) calls Hungary the 'blessed saviour of the West.' Hungarian blood was shed freely for the peace and prosperity of the Middle Ages, was the same as Britain's or France's. And because for five hundred years Hungary shed her blood incessantly today she has only ten or twelve million people, while Britain has forty-three and a half million, given to the Italians, Austrians, Czechs and Slovaks whom we had defended for centuries, or to the Rumanians and Serbs, to whom we had given refuge."

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century? Because we did not defend the integrity of the military state which it took the united nations of the world seven years to destroy. "We did all we could. We received in our homes the beaten enemies of Germany; we helped and hid them. The only secondary school of the oppressed Polish people functioned for years in Balatonboglár. In 1942-43 the starving and pillaged Western states and the Greek people were kept alive to a considerable extent by Hungarian wheat."

"3. During the recent world war we heard the promises of the various charters and agreements. They said: 'We have taken up arms in defence of true freedom and the basic human rights against the forces of organised evil.' 'Let us look for the human rights along the rivers of Garam and Danube, along the Küküllő, Dráva, Lajta and Latorca; let us look for the national rights of self-determination, for our liberation from the organised forces of evil.' 'If these words are truths and not hollow propaganda phrases... If there is a judicial conscience and responsibility... If the victors are better than the vanquished; if human misery can find an understanding heart instead of a completely inhuman and ignominious revenge; our cause must triumph. 'My dear brethren! To you and through you to our country I must say: People of tormented Hungary, be on both sides of the frontiers the Hungary of prayer. As individuals, as families, as communities, as nations, as a people, lift up your hands from the pit of confusion, make the cry of your misery to our ancient great Patroness. Show us, Merciful Holy Virgin, that Thou art a Mother! Show us by saying us from discomfitment and deception by the sordid proclamation of human and national rights. Give us in this hour of trial faith, hope, strength; the love of God and of our neighbours. Give us to find discomfitment and recall to a new life the country of St. Stephen. Amen!"

Peace Treaty
The Hungarian Peace Treaty was signed in Paris on February 10, 1947. It was born at a time when the differences between the Allied Great Powers were already developing; the whole complex question of the peace and the future of Hungary was being discussed in an atmosphere of indifference, almost of boredom. It was worse and more unjust than the Treaty of Trianon (1920) because it did not provide for the protection of minority rights. In other words, it meant the loss of a half million Hungarians who were deprived of their human liberties. In Czechoslovakia, through bilateral negotiations enforced by the Great Powers (at the suggestion of the Czechs), it meant the forced repatriation and expulsion of two hundred thousand Hungarians of Czech citizenship."

On the eve of the peace treaty Cardinal-Primate Joseph Mindszenty sent the following document through the French Legation in Budapest to the presidency of the peace conference: "When the peace treaty is signed today, it is forbidden to speak; but the most gravely accused cannot remain silent. Through the French Legation in Budapest, the peace treaty is being sent to the conference table. How long can such a peace survive when moral principles are ignored? By ignoring President Wilson's principle of self-determination, by ignoring the rights as defined in the Atlantic Charter and national minority rights, the peace treaty becomes only a piece of paper, a collection of empty words. While the responsible masters of the world's destiny sit and append their signatures, hundreds of thousands of Hungarians are being deported from the Danube to the Sudetenland. The deportations are carried out in wretched winter weather, under the most frightful terror. Thousands and thousands find their individual existence destroyed, themselves pressed into servitude. Yesterday the nations of the world promised them human rights; but this ignoble persecution, with its local interests, and surely with the condemnation of the peacemakers, has grown into a frenzy by its trampling on human rights. To such three and a half million Hungarians to other states corresponds neither to the Anglo-American nor the Lenin-Stalinist principles. Judges of the world, use justice, humanity, and a sense of the world's destiny. Do not let the dark shadow fall upon your work of peace in Central Europe and elsewhere!" (Signed) Cardinal Mindszenty, Primate of Hungary."

Grief Expressed
On February 25, fifteen days after the signature of the peace treaty, the Hungarian Bishop of Eger issued a statement which, after uttering his joy that the peace treaty had ended the world war and the post-war transition, continued: "At the same time we express our great grief, because the peace treaty places too heavy a burden upon our country; it is, in many respects, unfair, even unjust. We pray first to God the All-Merciful to protect our much-loved Hungarian nation. At the same time we plead with the justifying earthly powers to seek and find the appropriate time a way to settle the Hungarian cause in a just and reassuring manner. We remember with sorrow the several million Hungarians beyond our frontiers whose human rights must be ensured in the interests of peace."

The memorandum which Cardinal Mindszenty sent to the leaders of the peace conference and this statement of the Bench of Bishops were cries of grief and indignation. For three years the Church had protested and appealed incessantly to the conscience of the nation, its Government and the world. And now at the peace conference the only positive result of Hungary's advantage had been the failure of the Czechoslovak delegation to gain acceptance for their proposal that of the 750,000 Hungarians living in Czechoslovakia (this was the official Czech figure) two hundred thousand should be sent back to Hungary in exchange for the one hundred thousand Slovaks on Hungarian soil. The Czechoslovak Government, however, ignored the decision of the peace conference. In order to put pressure on the Hungarian Government and to achieve an agreement on the above lines, it began to deport the Hungarians in Czechoslovakia and settle them in the evacuated Sudeten territories."

Profoundly Stirred
Cardinal Mindszenty's patriotic and humanitarian feelings were profoundly stirred. For over a year and a half he had made the cause of his unfortunate fellow countrymen across the border his own. He had not ceased to plead for them, to protest against the suffering they endured, to call the attention of his Government and the world to the violation of all human rights to which they were being subjected. Already on October 15, 1946, he issued a pastoral letter, in which he described the inhuman persecutions of Hungarians already started in Slovakia.

From the greater, Northern part of our chief diocese with which we have lived for almost nine hundred years in the happy community of the holy faith and hallowed traditions news of indescribable suffering and suffering inflicted by hatred and revenge in a poisonous spirit of discrimination.

"Throughout the summer and autumn shattering reports of an endless series of expulsions, imprisonments, internments, inhumanities have reached our ears. Allowing women are dragged from their beds by gendarmes; no pity is shown for old men prostrate with pneumonia, who are driven from their homes even when they have no other means of livelihood. No questions asked. Innocent babies die in internment camps."

"Through the arbitrary action of the irreligious politics interfere with the services of the churches; parents are robbed of the Catholic and Hungarian schools; their children forced into alien schools. Holy statues in front of churches and in houses are demolished. Family properties are confiscated, societies dissolved, Hungarian shop signs and inscriptions smashed and burned."

"Those who might have been saved from being ejected from their homes by the indignation of the humane world are not permitted to keep the Hungarian priests or Hungarian schools even in purely Magyar villages. In this twentieth century the basic rights of humanity, among them the freedom of religion expressly proclaimed by the Atlantic Charter, are being lost."

And then the patriot speaks, letting fall a word of admiration for Hungarian Christian heroism. "But we must also put on record," the present virtues of the Hungarian priests who have preserved our present virtues of the Hungarian priests who have preserved our thousand-year-old traditions; who as good shepherds have remained with their flocks to the bitter end and left only under threats, yielding to brute force. Some even went back again into the world of torment. The people, have clung faithfully to their priests, even during the greatest persecution. Simple Slovak women placed garlands of flowers upon the desecrated statues and defended their priests courageously when they were driven away. It is not their fault that they have temporarily overwhelmed their love."

And finally, there speaks the man of God, the man of peace: "Why do I communicate this sad state of affairs to you, my brethren? Not because I want to fan

the flame of hate in you. There has been enough hate already! This is a horrifying and criminal example of the abuse of human liberties, of maltreatment of the weak and helpless—an example which carries its retribution within itself."

Before we describe the inhuman persecution of Hungarians in Czechoslovakia and the steps taken by Cardinal Mindszenty, before we reopen the deep wounds in the hearts of those who proclaimed the mutual interdependence of Czechs, Slovaks and Hungarians, we must express our hope that this co-operation and interdependence may yet be realised after the present Communist regime, holding Central Europe in thrall, has passed. It cannot but become a reality because of the deep experience of a common fate. It is only in sorrow that we must recall that the two most civilised and gifted nations of Central Europe, the Czechs and the Hungarians, have not been able throughout their history to understand each other. Perhaps, of course, they have never really made the attempt. The great English historian, H. A. L. Fisher, tells us that when the Turkish flood burst upon the Danube basin in the second half of the fifteenth century, this particular part of Europe met this attack, completely disorganised and disunited. Yet, Mr. Fisher declares, if the two similar leaders, George Podjebrad and Matthias Hunyadi—the first was the Czech, the second the Hungarian King—had not wasted the strength of the two nations in fighting each other, but had joined forces, the Central European basin would not have become subject to a century and a half of Turkish rule; the history of both the Hungarians and the Czechs would have been quite different.

The analogy is so strong that it must be extended by the statement that if these two leading nations of Central Europe had achieved agreement in the twentieth century they could have prevented both the German and Russian ambitions of expansion. Instead of this, even today, as in the past, one of the main aims of both nations is to diminish the strength and manpower of the other. And yet the qualities, character and fate of the two nations have many points in common. Both originated in the great Samaratina plain, and both contain many Eastern-Baltic elements. The territory where the Czechs settled is surrounded by a fortification of mountains and penetrates into the German area like a wedge; the Hungarians likewise ringed with a circle of mountains, represent an island within a Slav ocean. Both nations adopted Christianity more or less at the same time, and in the Middle Ages both became the centres of the organising possibilities of a smaller empire. But while the Czechs shed their blood in fighting the Germans, the Hungarians had to suffer the same blood-letting by the Turks; it was about the same time that their national life began to decline. The Czechs came under a long German, the Hungarians under Turkish domination. This was the result of their failure to co-operate and to create an understanding. But national awakening also began about the same time among the Czechs and Hungarians alike—through literature and the writing of history, roughly with the beginning of the nineteenth century. In spite of their common fate, in the Austro-Hungarian Monarchy they also lived together in the same great



A Filipino diplomat says the Chinese Communists owe their victories to the bankruptcy of the Nationalist leadership.

Not, of course, to any bankruptcy of the Nationalist leaders.

Some people would call the cold war a gold war. Lot of Knox in it?

While you can let sleeping dogs lie, it is unwise to let lying dogs find you asleep, says an American scientist, referring to the Un-American activities gang.

Boxers in Australia want to come under the Workers' Compensation Act. Then every clout would have a silver lining.

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Mr. Acheson is not to be confused with the "Red Dean".

HARD TO STARBOARD
Now if a refugee would get a bank on the Repose, would he or she?

Need buy the "key"? Do you, my friend, suppose? And what about priority? Have rates been worked out yet by Quaternary Authority?

And costs of meals they'll get? While I agree that we must be Good friends with neighbour nations.

We must abide whatever betide by local Regulations. This may be an infringement Of our traditions tested And have a grave impingement On profits of the "Vested."

Will Lepco let unheeded Fool philanthropists Yanks Leave poor pub-owners bleeding From their unthinking pranks? These do not know our way here

And have not learned to loot The public day by day here... Why can't they follow suit?

"If Asia is allowed to fall into the Soviet sphere by default, the attack on the Middle East will surely be launched at once. And it may even begin much sooner." That, however, is only one man's opinion.

If they keep on about a poll much longer we'll start thinking about a poll-tax, said the Bureau-crut.

The New Chinese Government has at least a debt of gratitude to the USA for most of the munitions and armaments which made the people's victory possible.

EXIT
(According to Canton advices the Legislative Yuan is "adjourning until September.")

"While Sam financed the spending Ah, we were staunch and true. But those gay times are ending

Alas! It seems we're through! And when it comes September We'll all be far away

Hoping Mao don't remember What words we used in May!"

unit—the national feelings of the two nations turned with surprising sharpness against each other. Yet their political interests were the same, and had they combined they could have realised their interest far better within the Habsburg Monarchy. Instead of this, let us not ask through the fault of which of the two nations—the Czechs sought the backing of their great Slav neighbour in the East and the Hungarians of the German neighbour in the West; support against each other. Thus they provoked or at least promoted the clash of German and Russian interests in the Danube Basin—which meant the destruction of both nations.

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FAR EAST POLICY

The rapid Communist advances in China caused a temporary flurry in the Western world, and for a time there was considerable talk by politicians and the Press on the lines that "something must be done" to stem the frightening onrush of totalitarianism. Ponderous statements promising a firm stand were made by America and Britain, some troop reinforcements and armaments were despatched to Hong Kong and Macao, and one or two forward-looking persons revived their ideas for forming a Pacific Pact.

The effort, such as it was, seems to have exhausted most people, and it looks as if conditions are going to deteriorate gradually until some spectacular collapse such as a sudden Communist take-over of Burma, Siam and Indo-China, or the invasion of Hong Kong, evokes hysterical protestations from the pundits of the West.

In an age of chaos and disruption, people all over the world are eagerly devouring reports about the Chinese Communists' restraint, politeness and fairness. These, say the hopeful, are no extremists, no fanatics, or tools of Moscow. They are simply local patriots, thinking only of liberating their country from the undoubtedly wicked Kuomintang, and have no intention of encroaching on other people's land or property.

This is dangerous, delusive nonsense and the sooner the appalling menace of Red permeation of Asia is shocked into people's minds, the greater will be the free world's chances of survival. It would not be at all surprising to learn that Mao's present attitude had been dictated by the Kremlin (or Stalinism) will adopt any method that suits its purpose; its policy may twist and turn almost unrecognisably, but the end is always kept in sight. This newspaper is firmly opposed to panic-mongering, but it should be clearly realised that the forthcoming establishment of Communism throughout China is perhaps the gravest development of the post-war period.

A report from Washington yesterday revealed that in the past few days the State Department has been subjected to increasing pressure to define its overall policy in the Pacific and Far East. Military leaders in particular feel the time has come for a decision on where a stand is to be made against the increasing threat to our security.

Mr. Acheson has declared himself against American participation in a Pacific Pact at present, because he considers internal conflicts would prevent useful co-operation. It is unlikely, however, that the conditions he objects to will change in the near future, and meanwhile this very turbulence is a breeding ground for Communism. Temporarily at this time is a serious error, and the free nations may pay heavily for it unless they take action soon. This is the time for overlooking many "flickish" problems, and for welding as firmly as possible all peoples who are more or less of our way of thinking.

Britain may not be able to provide large sums of money, but it is our opinion that she should take the lead in this part of the world, from India to Australia, and linking up

with America in the Pacific, to form as strong a barrier as possible against the Reds. This would imply not only the provision of arms and financial aid, but a clear indication to the Asiatic peoples that we will stand by them in their desire for self-determination. In this connection we would once again remind the Hong Kong authorities that the time was never more ripe for giving to our Chinese citizens a guarantee of our good faith in the future.

"For five centuries we have waited in vain for any return seen since the peace of Trianon. Sixty-three and a half per cent of our population, 71.3 per cent of our territory was taken away from us. In return we were given a country that was unable to live; we were given a new war."

"Since 1920, scores of statements all over the world have admitted that the Hungarian cause had been dealt with under prejudice and the decision based on false statistics."

"Do they want to repeat the admitted justice? Do they want to aggravate it by making millions of Hungarians homeless and ex-patriates? Do they want to destroy civilisation in the twentieth century?"

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VISHINSKY REJECTS PLAN FOR GERMANY

"In Conflict With Potsdam And Yalta" EAST-WEST DIFFERENCES

Paris, May 30.

Russia today rejected the Western Powers' plan for a united federal republic in Germany. Mr. Andrei Vishinsky, the Soviet Foreign Minister, criticised the plan in detail and completely rejected the principles underlying it.

He said that the Western proposals are in conflict with the desires and interests of the German people, who want a peace treaty and the end of the occupation.

He further declared that they are in conflict with the Potsdam and Yalta agreements.

Mr. Vishinsky gave his answer at a three and a half hours' meeting of the "Big Four" Foreign Ministers in the Marble Room Palace here today, the seventh session of their conference.

The Western Powers' plan for unifying Germany on the basis of the Constitution, endorsed by West German political leaders in the Constituent Assembly at Bonn, was presented by the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin on Saturday.

The German people, Mr. Vishinsky said, had had no part in the drafting of the Constitution, which had been the result of open pressure by the Western Powers.

The Bonn Constitution aims at the dismemberment of Germany, he said.

According to authoritative conference sources, Mr. Vishinsky declared that the Western proposals are nothing but an attempt to impose an order without the participation or consent of the German people or of the Soviet Union, which has a responsibility under the terms of the Potsdam agreement.

Mr. Vishinsky declared that the real desires of the German people are represented by the constitution drafted by the People's Council in Berlin.

"Contrary To Potsdam"

The so-called freedoms referred to by the Western Powers had, Mr. Vishinsky charged, resulted in the persecution of democratic elements in the Western zones and had given freedom only to elements which had supported the Hitlerite regime.

Mr. Vishinsky went on to denounce the Western proposal for majority voting as contrary to the Potsdam agreement.

The Soviet proposals, on the other hand, Mr. Vishinsky claimed, are fully compatible with Potsdam, corresponding to the interests of the German people, facilitate the conclusion of a peace treaty and the termination of the occupation regime, and contribute to the promotion of European peace.

Mr. Bevin asked Mr. Vishinsky a direct question: "Do you oppose the conception of a German Government?"

Mr. Vishinsky did not reply directly but said that there are big differences between the East and West, not only on what they had said today but also on what he intends to say tomorrow. This exchange came after Mr. Bevin said he hopes that the Soviet delegation will not reject the proposal out of hand but will give an opportunity to the Eastern German to join with their Western brothers in establishing a federal republic.

Mr. Bevin hoped that the Soviets will go over the proposals again point by point in an honest effort to reach agreement.

Acheson Baffled

They might, by the foundation of a peaceful Germany, do something to end antagonisms between East and West and again make possible collaboration between them on a basis of mutual trust.

The United States Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, said he gathered from Mr. Vishinsky that the proposals of the three Western Powers had been rejected although he is baffled by the reasons given.

He detailed stages in the preparation of the Bonn Constitution which, he said, had been drafted by the representatives of and approved by 45,000,000 Germans.

He said that it is fully in accord with the just aspirations of the German people.

What is important about Mr. Vishinsky's statement, however, is not the reasons he had given but the conclusion he had reached, and the conclusion is rejection.

The French Foreign Minister, Mr. Robert Schuman, called Mr. Acheson's remarks very pertinent.

He repudiated vigorously the suggestion that the Bonn Constitution had been drafted by other than completely democratic methods.

"Freedom In East"

Mr. Bevin, in his statement, expressed disappointment at the rejection by the Russians of the proposals without their having taken any step to examine them clause by clause or to see how they would work out in detail in their application to Germany as a whole.

He recalled that since Yalta the eventual establishment of a government in Germany had been generally accepted but said it would now appear that this had been rejected by the Soviet delegation.

Mr. Bevin then went into the Western proposals in detail and dealt with some of Mr. Vishinsky's criticisms.

Mr. Vishinsky in his statement also declared that the differences of opinion between them concern not details but main principles. The chief proposals of the three Western Governments are basically contrary to the Potsdam decision, he stated.

The Soviet Government stands on the basis of the Potsdam decision and although many changes had taken place in the last four years since these were drafted, these decisions remain.

The Western proposals mean the wide penetration of British and American monopolistic capital into the economy of Western Germany—and particularly the Ruhr—with the help of the occupation authorities.

AMERICAN TARIFFS ATTACKED

Duxton, May 30.
Lord Gilling, Chairman of the British Electricity Authority and former chief of the British trade union movement, attacked American high tariff walls in a speech to the Advertising Conference here today.

"I believe that it is utterly impossible for British trade to climb the high tariff walls of the United States of America," he said.

"I don't believe that it is possible for the economy of the world to be restored while any country tries to protect its internal trade by methods of high tariff barriers," he said.

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East-West Trade Talks Resumption

Frankfurt, May 30.

Talks for a new trade agreement between the Anglo-American Bizone and the Russian Zone of Germany will be resumed next month, Dr. Kaumann, head of the Interzonal Trade Department of the Bizonal Economic Administration, announced here today.

Exact quotas are then expected to be fixed for the exchange of all goods, the Soviet Zone having rejected the proposed free interzonal trade except for a limited number of goods, he said.

The first statistics show that trade between the Eastern and Western Zones in the first 10 days after the lifting of the blockade amounted to about five million Western marks (about £3,500,000).

Dr. Kaumann said the present trickle of interzonal trade is based entirely on Western marks, with East Zone firms paying partly out of accounts accumulated during the counter-blockade and partly taking the delivery of goods paid before the currency reform and stopped by the Western counter-blockade.

He estimated that the blocked Western mark accounts held by Russian Zone firms at one time totalled 15 million marks, but had somehow or other been whittled down to five million marks by the time the blockade was lifted.

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GERMAN MORALE IS HIGHER

Berlin, May 30.

Economic conditions in Western Germany are worsening, but the morale of the people is higher than it has been, according to the April report of the British Control Commission.

"There has been a definite upward trend in morale due to the brilliant Eastern holiday weather and to the political events turning in Germany's favour," the report said.

"But," it added, "the reverse of the picture remains the same: a shortage of money, fear of unemployment, the high cost of living and particularly the price of foodstuffs."

"In the business world, a shrinking turnover, increasing stocks and pressure from creditors cause grave concern. In working class families, the gap between income and expenditure is widening, as savings used in the hopes of lifting over bad times are almost exhausted."

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FLYING WING CRASHES

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Commons Queries On The Far East

London, May 31.

An Admiralty spokesman said yesterday that all officers and ratings on board the frigate HMS Amethyst at the time she was shelled by Chinese Communists have been accounted for.

The question of how many of the crew of the frigate are still missing was raised in the House of Commons by Major Tufton Beamish, Conservative. John Dugdale, Financial Secretary to the Admiralty, answered.

He said that two ratings in a China mission hospital subsequently taken over by the Communists have now returned to their ship. They have been well treated and are fully recovered from their wounds.

At the Admiralty a press officer said that casualties in Amethyst are listed as two officers killed and four wounded, and 17 ratings killed, 25 wounded and one missing. He said that the missing man is believed to have been drowned. The attack occurred on April 20 on the Yangtze River.

Mr. Dugdale assured Major Beamish that he would keep the Commons fully informed should any situation arise regarding Amethyst or the safety of the men who remain on board.

A Labour member, H. L. Austin, asked whether negotiations have been opened with the Communist authorities with a view to returning the remainder of the crew to Hong Kong or to some other British base. Mr. Dugdale replied that he would prefer to answer that question at some later date.

British Property

Hector McNeill, Minister of State, told the House that according to preliminary official reports there has been no serious damage to British assets in Shanghai since it was captured by the Communists.

He said in reply to a question by Colonel Crosthwaite Eyre, Conservative, that the British Consul-General in Shanghai has been in contact with both sides with a view to safeguarding British lives and property.

Mr. McNeill said he had seen a press statement quoting the Consul-General as saying that certain British ships were sized at Shanghai but that his statement covered the situation as it was known in Whitehall late on Sunday night.

"Is it not the case that forcible possession was taken of British property by the Kuomintang forces and that the British people resident there welcomed the liberation forces who cleared out the Kuomintang?"

Mr. McNeill answered that he had seen that report too, but found it in conflict with the official information available to him from the Consul-General.—Associated Press.

NEGRO LYNCHED

Irvine, California, May 31.

A negro named George, aged 28, was taken from a jail by a mob of white men here yesterday, shot and beaten to death.

Hill was arrested during a brawl at a roadhouse after he had shot at the sheriff.—Associated Press.

GERMANS IN WORLD MARKET

London, May 31.

Britain has no cause for complaint if German shipbuilders and engineering firms are able to outsell her in the world market, the Minister of State, Hector McNeill, said yesterday.

Mr. McNeill, answering questions in the House of Commons, said the only requirement for the Germans is that they do not use unfair practices. He said no complaint of such practices has been substantiated against German shipbuilders and engineering companies.

Further, said Mr. McNeill, the indication is that costs of production in German shipbuilding yards are no lower than in British ship yards.

T.C. Skeffington-Lodge, Labour, Bedford, said German firms are underselling British goods in world markets. He complained also that only a small part of German workers in such industries are trade union members and are therefore open to be exploited as cheap labour.

Mr. McNeill said that several such complaints had been investigated and found to be groundless. He promised to investigate again if Mr. Skeffington-Lodge would supply details.—Associated Press.

PORTUGUESE TRADE PACT

Frankfurt, May 30.

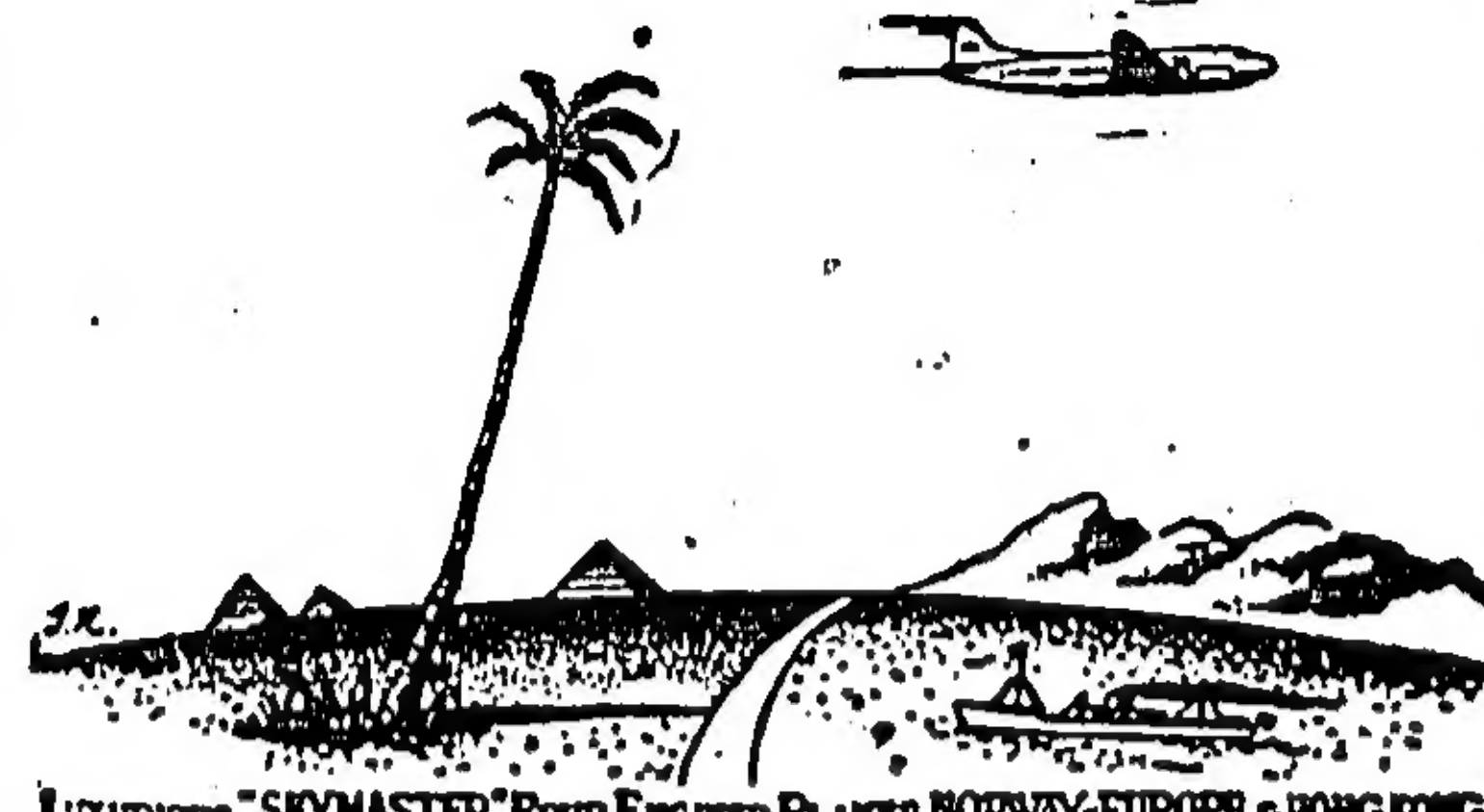
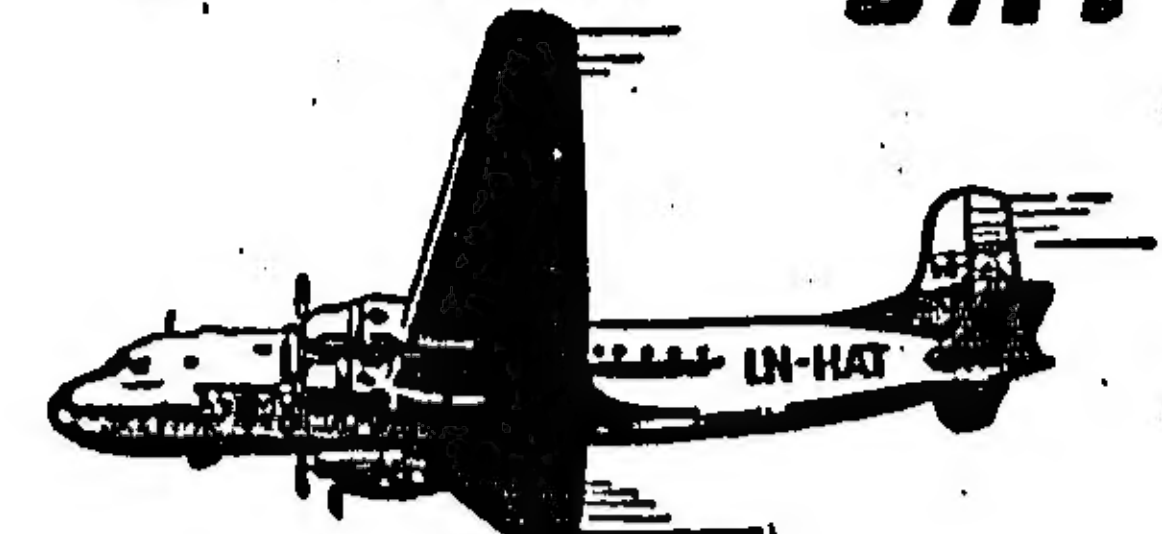
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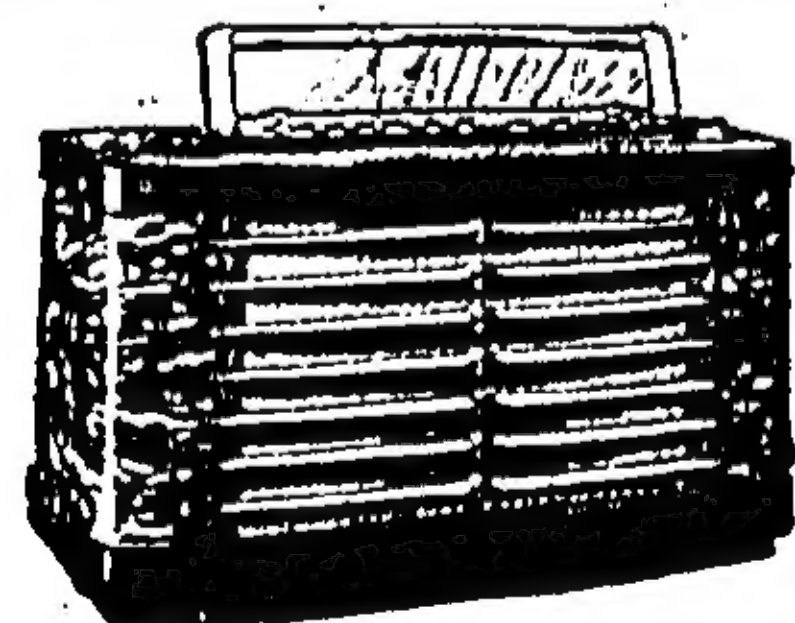
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AT HOME TO YOU

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by Edna McKenna

When you buy goods for the home do you know how to test them for wearability?

Recent scientific experiments show that your kitchen is nearly as destructive as a Burmese jungle to paint and plating. Therefore, it is important that an article going into the kitchen should have a finish almost as durable as that needed in a tropical jungle. When buying a painted steel article, such as a washing machine, refrigerator, or kitchen cabinet, insist on one that has been rust proofed.

Look carefully when you see metal turned over on itself to form a hollow ring and ask if it has been painted over or rust-proofed inside.

Examine the paint for pinholes. If you notice any the article will rust quickly.

Ask what sort of paint has been used. The new synthetic paints which are baked on are excellent for use in a kitchen.

When buying any article with a chromium plated surface, such as a toaster, or even forks or spoons, insist that these are plated to British Standard Specifications. Then you will be sure of the thickness of the nickel and chromium plating. When buying wooden furniture be careful that there are not any openings in the joints as this may mean that the



Patricia Rice in an Empire line dress with black lace and satin top.

wood was not properly treated before painting.

Another good tip familiar in the furniture trade is to run a thumb nail along the edge of a painted article. If the paint comes off it is a poor article.

In an all-out effort to ensure good finish, scientists, manufacturers and technicians are co-operating to organize an Industrial Finishes Exhibition later in the year, when one of the chief aims will be to show how the best finish for the right job should be used.

MRS. KWOK BUYS BRITISH GOODS

By INGRID ETTER

While hunting wearily for bargains—or plain everyday household necessities—you may have breathed the womanly wish: "If only I could buy just everything I want!"

Think of those words come true as I introduce Mrs. Nancy Kwok.

She is buying everything she wants (and what she thinks other women will want), from soft woollen dress lengths to the most novel kitchen gadgets. And she is doing this in England now.

Perhaps you are right in deciding that almond-eyed Mrs. Kwok must come from a different world, but it is not a dream world. Here is on fire in the wars that are tearing China asunder, and the flames are drawing near her Hong Kong home.

Life Goes On

But because she believes in her country and knows, as every woman knows, that life must go on despite War Lords, she is shopping. It is in itself an act of faith.

The two largest department stores in China, one at Shanghai, the other at Hong Kong, belong to the Kwok family. Buying British to stock such an enormous concern entails quite a large shopping bag!

Like the wise and smart housewife she is, Mrs. Kwok divides her shopping into two sections. First is Just Looking—which means, in her case, days of examining various articles, their value, their texture, their comparative price, with copious notes on items of special interest.

Then follows the buying proper, when orders are placed with manufacturers and at the stands of the British Industries Fair.

Prefers British

Contrary to so many of us green-eyed women whose dream is an American department store catalogue or even U.S. magazine advertisement, Mrs. Kwok prefers British goods.

The recovery here is wonderful," she says, the faintest lift in her voice.

"After the war we had to buy from America because Britain could not fulfil orders. It is a joy to come back now. I shall go

elsewhere, to France, only to stock up on perfumes."

Imagine our largest department stores practically deserted while money values and prices run more and more wild from day to day.

In Shanghai it is only for the sake of their employees that the Kwok-owned store remains open.

Four thousand men and women depend on it for their livelihood. Members of the National Council of Women and the YWCA would be interested to meet the little golden-skinned lady, who is deeply concerned with sister organisations in Hong Kong.

Across the world, life is much the same in small ways.

Even when she sits as a Justice of the Peace, Mrs. Kwok has to fine barrow boys and hawkers with much the same admonition—equally ineffective in most cases—as is heard daily in magistrates' courts here.

When she talks to groups of young girls starting a business career, she tells them: "Do not be like a vase." To be a vase is the Chinese word picture for a pretty but ineffectual woman.

RECIPE

Peach Gateau

1 tin preserved peaches, 3 tablespoons sugar, 1 oz. gelatine.

Strain the syrup from the fruit and add sufficient water to make 1½ pints of liquid. Add the gelatine and sugar and stir over low heat until the gelatine has dissolved and the mixture just comes to the boil.

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British Factory Steps Up Nylon Yarn Production

A nylon queue is the only queue British women don't mind standing in, though nylon queues are not easy to track down.

But there are now two hopeful signs which lighten the gloom of this picture of a female population practically without nylons.

The opening of a £6,000,000 factory in Monmouthshire means 10 times the amount of nylon yarn now available will be produced, so nylons for all are a possibility by the end of the year.

In addition, manufacturers are coating the stocking-yarn with an anti-sag preparation, to give greater wearing qualities.

When the new factory is in full production 10 million pounds of yarn will be processed each year.

At present most British women don't get any nearer to nylons than hearing they have earned a million sterling for the export drive. Then they pull on their old rayons.

But women who work in the new factory, and the sweethearts, wives, and daughters of the male employees were each given a pair of nylons at Christmas. The handout will be repeated every six months.

Yarn from the new factory will form 30 different types of dress and underwear fabrics, including voiles, chiffons, nets, satins, tulle, and tricot.

The tricot is the new warp-knitted fabric for underwear that really will last a lifetime, may be washed out nightly, because of quick drying characteristics, keep their shape, and do not need ironing.

Nylon yarns are not all delicate gossamer threads. Nylon used in ships' hawsers, trawling nets, tarpaulins, motor-car hoods, upholstery fabrics, and heavy canvas.

It is even used for making forecasts for sailing boats.

Undies and hawsers alike are produced from the raw material—nylon polymer—which looks like soap chips but is as hard as rocks.

Enormous Vats

At the factory the polymer is melted in enormous vats, and after long and complicated processes emerges as the silken, soft-to-the-touch, strong thread.

And although it is made from synthetic material it needs no special textile machinery for its further manufacture. It is knitted, woven, dyed, and finished by the usual textile processes.

When the whole of the factory is in full production, not only a third of it is being used there will be more nylon thread for export to the Dominions.

Australia, already Britain's biggest market for nylon stockings and nylon materials, will then get more of the yarn for her own hosiery factories, to knit into Australian nylon stockings.

The building of this factory, which is the largest under one roof in Britain, of Europe, is an important new unit in the textile trade of both Great Britain and the Commonwealth.

It has a floor space of one million square feet, is a graceful building in cream-colored brick standing in the wide Usk Valley, at Pontypool.

Its crisp air of modernity is in contrast to the age-old mountain which looks down on it, and also to the centuries-old white-washed farm-houses which stand ruggedly to the wind on the hillsides.

It has brought a 1950 atmosphere to the 19th century town of Pontypool, with quiet lanes, small stone houses, and little shops.

Pontypool has known unemployment, depression, and a long struggle for higher wages and good working conditions for its workers in the main industries of steel and coal.

But in the new factory the workers have conditions which

would make their grandfathers blink in astonishment. The rooms where the nylon is processed are air-conditioned, and have fluorescent lighting.

Hot Meals, Dry Clothes

A huge canteen provides a 24-hour service of hot meals, and drying pipes are in each employee's locker for wet clothes.

There is a surgery block staffed by two doctors and two nurses, and a sun-ray room for treatment of all kinds of rheumatic complaints. A dentist and a chiropodist also visit the factory to give free treatment.

Workrooms of the factory look out on gardens; even these are built so that inner rooms look out on to a flower-filled square.

British Nylon Spinners built their factory in South Wales in keeping with the Government plan to develop the hitherto undeveloped areas of Britain. South Wales has known considerable periods of unemployment because of lack of industrial development.

Only local men are employed. As nylon processing is a highly technical job, men were given several months of training in the pilot plant, an experimental section of the factory.

A great majority of the staff are ex-miners, iron-foundry and steel-workers who are no longer fit, through illness, for the heavy work of these industries.

Their hands, calloused by years of manual work, are now soft and smooth, the roughness worn away by constant handling of the delicate nylon thread.

When they first started their new jobs they had to rub hand-creams and lotions into their hands to smooth them.

But now their fingers are so sensitive that they can feel the slightest defect as the gossamer-like thread runs through their hands from one machine to another.

Most of the women at the factory work in the canteens. Women have not been trained as process workers, because processing nylon is a 24-hour job, and under the Factories Act women are not allowed to work on shift work.

But the 12 testers are women, and have pretty important jobs, too. Samples of every yard of nylon are examined by them.

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Noah's Ark Expedition Banned

London, May 30. The international search for Noah's Ark on Mount Ararat on the Russian-Turkish border has been banned by the Turkish Government, promoters of expeditions said today.

Three parties planned to explore the 17,000-foot peak towering out of the Armenian Plateau next month. They were: a British expedition led by Egon Sykes, a member of the Royal Geographic Society, a Dutch one led by Hans Hogen, member of the Dutch Research Society, and an American expedition led by Aaron J. Smith of North Carolina.

Sykes said the Turkish Government informed him that they could not grant permission for the expedition under any circumstances. He said that Turkey made the same ruling about the Dutch expedition and would make it for the American party—United Press.

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London, May 30. Britain's dock and railway strikes both spread today as the Cabinet heard reports from the Minister of Labour, Mr. George Isaacs, and the Transport Minister, Mr. Alfred Barnes.

In the House of Commons after the Cabinet meeting, Mr. Isaacs refused to intervene in the unofficial railway stoppage in North East England, where the strikers have announced that they will keep on striking every Sunday until their claims are met.

They are protesting against the new train schedules, forcing locomotive crews to spend nights away from home. Representatives of the Railway Executive and the Railwaysmen's Union are to meet tomorrow to discuss the new schedules.

"We cannot meet the unofficial strikers because there is a concerted and deliberate attempt in the trade unions to disregard their leaders," Mr. Isaacs said. He urged those who have been led into this irresponsible action to abandon this method.

Birmingham and Grimsby locomotive crews today voted to join the North Eastern "Sunday strikers."

At the London Road, Manchester, goods depot 800 railwaymen decided to suspend working overtime as a protest against the delay in settling the National Union of Railwaymen's extra pensions claim.

Strike Spreads

Meanwhile, in stoppages at West Coast ports, in support of the Canadian Seamen's Union strike, more dockers came out. The

GENERAL STRIKES IN ITALY

Rome, May 30. General strikes in Cremona and Mantova, Northern Italy, today intensified Italy's acute labour situation following yesterday's fighting between striking farm workers and non-striking workers in these towns.

The local branches of the Communist-led General Labour Confederation called for stoppages there in protest against the police action following the fighting.

The Confederation alleged that when the police intervened they helped the non-striking. About 20 people were injured in the clashes, and the police have detained 70 persons. Among the detained is the Assistant Secretary of the Cremona Trades Union Council.

Negotiations to avert two other strikes over the wages have been without avail. The Communist-dominated building workers, estimated by the General Labour Confederation to number about 1,000,000, and Treasury workers throughout Italy will stop work.

Three thousand Rome hotel workers, who have been on strike for the past six days, today reaffirmed their intention of stopping out until their basic pay is raised.

Today, the 12th day of the strike throughout Italy, of 2,000,000 farm workers, passed off without any incidents being reported by tonight. There is still no sign of an agreement on national wage contracts which the strikers demand.

The farmers have said that they will discuss only regional agreements.—Reuter.

"BOLD VOLGA" SURRENDERS

A guerrilla leader, Christos Grammenos, known as "The Bold Volga," gave himself up today to the military authorities in Epirus, the Athens news agency reported from Jannina tonight.

He broadcast over Jannina Radio after his surrender, condemning the Greek traitors who, he said, are led by foreign agents.—Reuter.

Yugoslavian Allegations

Belgrade, May 30. A Greek Army Spitfire killed three people and injured four others this morning in a bombing and strafing attack on a Yugoslav village, Tanjug, the official Yugoslav news agency, reported today.

Tanjug said that the Yugoslav Ministry of Foreign Affairs handed a note of protest to the Greek Legation here, saying that the Spitfire flew 10 kilometres (about five miles) over the border, and machine-gunned the village seven times.

The dead were identified as Yugoslav soldiers.—Reuter.

Miners Threw Away Uranium

Canberra, May 30. Australian mica miners have, for years, been throwing away uranium, the source of atomic power, it was officially revealed here today.

Australian geologists are investigating reports of a vast uranium field in the Hartz Range, 800 miles North East of Alice Springs, Central Australia. Senator John Armstrong, Minister for Supply and Development, said. The deposits may extend over hundreds of square miles, Senator Armstrong said.

There are good prospects of some production. Prospectors made the first find, and a party of geologists and geo-physicists then went to Lone Pine, in the Hartz Range, where mica is mined, to investigate.

"As a result, the occurrence of highly radioactive minerals has been verified," the Minister said. Other mica deposits will be investigated. The Minister said that it is too early to size up the importance of the present discovery.

Senator Armstrong said that the Bureau of Mineral Resources is preparing for the Government a full report which will recommend what reward shall be paid to the prospectors and how the finds should be worked.—Reuter.

PI Complaint On Jap Reparations

Manila, May 30. The Under-Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Mr. Felino Neri, said today that Japan's resurgence as a dominant power in the Pacific has been clinched by the United States unprecedented directive of May 12.

The American policy seems to point to the conclusion that the United States is determined to underwrite Japan's recovery and economic ascendancy in Asia, he stated.

The Philippines fundamentally shares the American view that Japan's recovery is essential to the recovery of the rest of Asia as well as the United States recovery of a just peace for Japan," he continued.

"But what the Philippines cannot comprehend is why the United States should so sudden-

ly come to the conclusion that the needs of Japan should have priority over the needs of Allied countries which she overran and devastated," Mr. Neri said.

The Philippines claims are comparable to Belgium's after World War I.

The only reparations the Philippines has received are \$50,000,000 worth of machine tools while claims total \$8,000,000,000. Mr. Neri is senior official in the Foreign Office since President Elpidio Quirino holds the secretaryship.—United Press.

EISLER GIVEN A PERMIT BY THE HOME OFFICE

London, May 30. Gerhard Eisler, German Communist who was discharged last week by a London Court which rejected a United States extradition application, has been told that he may stay in Britain for the time necessary to enable him to make arrangements for his journey to Poland.

The Home Secretary, Mr. Chuter Ede, announcing this in Parliament today, said that Eisler was given a document of identity by the Home Office today.

Mr. Ede said that there is no justified claim for compensation against this country.

Eisler's legal advisers stated earlier today that he is claiming compensation from the British Home Secretary for having been forcibly removed from a foreign ship on a charge of an extraditable crime that proved to be groundless.

Mr. Thomas Driberg, Labour Member, asked whether the matter is now definitely closed at the American end or whether Mr. Ede has received further representations.

"The decision in this case may well serve as an object lesson to countries in both halves of the world which do not share our view of the rule of law," he said. Mr. Ede replied that he is not responsible for the conduct of American affairs.

"I have had no communication from the American Embassy or any American source since the decision of the chief Magistrate," he said.

No Guarantee

When Mr. Ronald Chamberlain, Labour, asked for an assurance that Eisler will not be apprehended again by the American authorities if he goes to Germany, Mr. Ede said: "I can give no guarantee that extends beyond the limits of the law."

Asked by Lord Hinchinbrooke, Conservative, to repudiate Mr. Driberg's insinuation against the United States, Mr. Ede said that it does not seem to call for any comment. Mr. Eric Fletcher, Labour, asked what the Home Secretary proposed to do about the Magistrate's suggestion that those responsible should consider whether Eisler is entitled to compensation.

Mr. Ede replied: "I hope those responsible will consider the Magistrate's remarks." Mr. William Gallacher, Communist, said that Eisler had been forcibly dragged off a Polish ship and kept in prison for three weeks. It was then discovered that no charge could be laid against him. Was there not something wrong with the law?

No Influence

Mr. Ede replied that a sworn statement was made. Information was laid before the Southampton Magistrate and from that time the law took its course.

Major Tufon Beamish, Conservative, asked the Home Secretary to make it clear that Eisler's release was simply a question of British law and justice and in no way connected with the emotional outpourings of the extreme Left.

Mr. Ede said that questions like that are not very helpful. This case had proceeded by the course of law. No other influence had been brought to bear upon it. Earlier today, Eisler's legal advisers said that he had asked for permission to stay in England until he had completed arrangements to leave for Germany to become a professor at Leipzig University.—Reuter.

Japanese Trading With China

Tokyo, May 31. The "Mainichi Shimbun" today echoed the general belief among Japanese that trade with China will be revived but admitted that the Communists will have to lift the restrictions on the exports of certain essential commodities needed by Japan.

Among them are paper, salt, silver, ores and coal for silver refining. The newspaper pointed out that Japan, on the other hand, will have to emphasise exports of transport equipment, drugs and cultural goods which are most in demand by the Chinese Communists.

In order to rehabilitate their war-stricken land, the Communists will have to have an enormous import volume for a long period to come. To obtain this they must boost their export volume, the paper points out.

However, Japan has little need for large quantities of those commodities that the Communists want to export. This is true of other countries.

This point, the "Mainichi" concluded, constitutes a major inconsistency between the trade and economic rehabilitation policies of the Chinese Communists.—Reuter.

MOSCOW CALLS FOR PEACE

Moscow, May 30. The Russian Communist Party newspaper, "Pravda," today called for an early end to the bloody civil war in Greece. The paper suggested that the United States and British Governments have no intention of hurrying forward a settlement of the Greek situation, preferring to maintain the status quo.

"To the Greeks, the status quo is a bloody civil war, with thousands of victims and torrents of blood, mass privations and calamity for the people, economic catastrophe, and increased tension in the relations between Greece and other countries."

Since the Soviet proposals for ending the Greek war were published, "Pravda" declared, certain feelings of awkwardness had been observed in United States and British Government circles.

The paper advised an early end to the Greek civil war in the interests of the Greek people, the interests of peace and international security.—Reuter.

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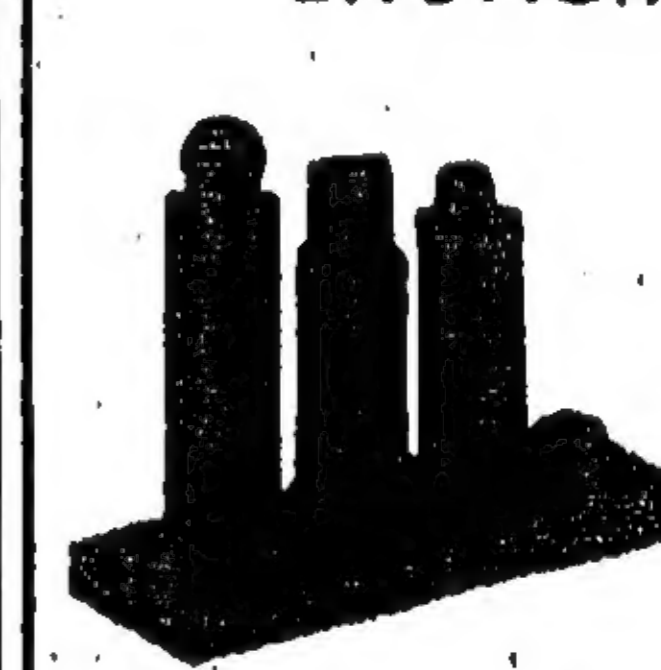
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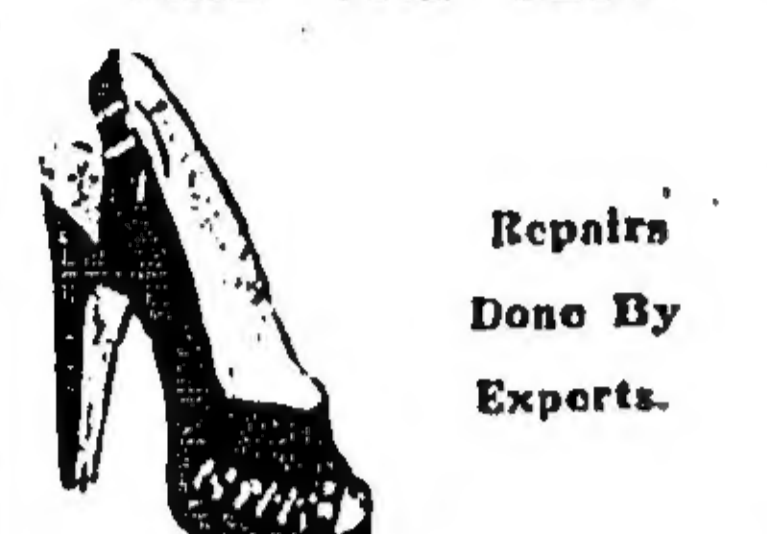
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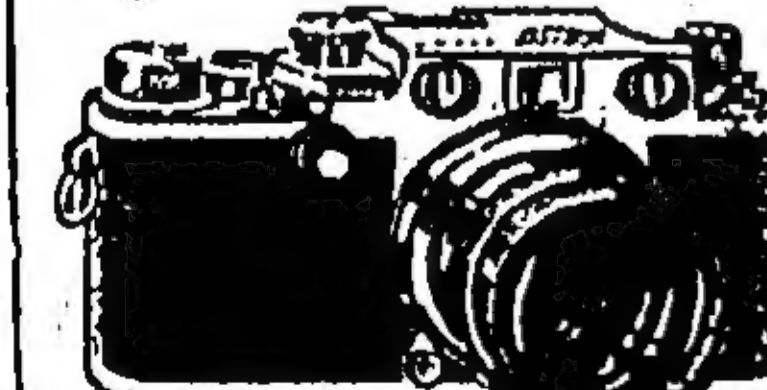
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Kathy's Open Letter

Dear Editor,
Your page being the only communication for teen agers in the Colony, I am widely read although at times it does get a bit dry. The Platter Chatter Contest was a change and quite welcomed at that.

May I suggest several things you could take into consideration which I think would interest us? We could have a "Hit Parade" with every teen ager writing his or her favourite tune of the week on a postcard, then sending it to you. The song with the most votes would then be printed in the Topics as the hit tune, with other tunes following in their respective order to say the eighth place.

The WREN could help us in this by publishing some favourites of the time, though not necessarily as our hit tunes. It would be grander still if Radio Hong Kong or Rediffusion could give us half an hour for our "Hit Parade" and we could then hear our hit songs over the air instead of only reading about them in the Topics.

As songs are an important thing in our lives, could you print the words of at least one song a week?

I think that teens should contribute more regularly to the Topics, so here are some theme titles which I think would appeal to any teen. I will be glad to contribute my entries if the idea is taken up. Here are the titles:

The Questions She Asked at the Game: While Waiting for her to come downstairs; A Person I have seen but do not know; On seeing a Boy in his first Long Trousers; On Finding One's Name in Print; Two Strikes and the Bases Full; Why Girls (Boys) Dislike Me; Why Girls (Boys) Like Me; The Uses of a Sister (Brother); Brighter Clothes for Men; Women Should Propose; What Boys Notice about Girls; What Girls Notice about Boys; Stage Fright; A First; My First; Dance; Sweet Sixteen; Slang; Going Stag; My First Date.

Couldn't we teens have a question box where we could write in asking tips on such things as etiquette, dating etc? Personally I'd like to know whether a girl is to rise from her seat when being introduced to a boy in a party. (No Kathy, you need not rise—Ed.)

Could you have a monthly article called "Party of the Month"? As April is connected with Valentines and October with Halloween, couldn't you tell us how to have a party suitable to the various occasions? And what the food and games for them could be?

And how about telling us of the movies shortly to be shown and whether they'll appeal to us or not. I've been disappointed at one movie which I went to see owing to an article which came strictly from the adult point of view—not ours! Well, I'm finally out of breath and ideas at which I am sure you'll heave a big sigh of relief. But I do hope my ideas will be considered.

Sincerely yours,
Katherine Boyes.
(I consider this the best any teen ager has ever written in. I shall promise you Kathy, that I will attend to all your suggestions that are practical, beginning from the next issue. Thanks a lot for your interest.—Ed.)

Teen Agers On The Air Through Rediffusion

On Friday, "Teen Time," an all-teen age programme presented by an all-teen age cast goes on the air through Rediffusion, to begin the first of a weekly programme dedicated to the Colony's teen agers by Mr. Frank Harris.

This programme, which originated from "The Wren" of the Topics with the kind collaboration of Mr. Harris, gives the first answer to the persistent cry of the Colony's teen agers to have their voice heard in the local community. "Teen Time" will be a half-hour session beginning at 8 p.m. each Friday.

The half-hour will be mainly occupied for the present with music from the teen agers' point of view. It is hoped, however, that as the programme develops, other variations, such as Quiz, Brain Trusts and Teen Opinion will be introduced.

A number of teen agers met with The Wren, Mr. Harris, and the Topics' Editor, at the Studios of Rediffusion, where points on the programme were discussed and arrangements completed.

Before the group settled down to the one-hour chatter, teen agers present were shown the rounds of the Studio where all the mechanical and workings of the broadcasting system were shown and aptly explained. Some of the teen agers had their voices recorded.

The first thing they talked about after the day of the week

and time of the programme had been agreed, was the theme song for "Teen Time."

After a number of suggestions, many of which were excellent except that the recordings were not available, "Teen Time's" theme song was pegged to "When you Were Sweet Sixteen" by Stan Kenton.

It is not certain however, that this particular record will be used, but "Sweet Sixteen" is certain, and if we are not able to get Stan's, we shall use the tune played by somebody else. It was felt that the piece was the most suitable.

On Friday, the teen agers—the first to initiate "Teen Time"—will be Kathy Boyes (our Personality Girl today), Sheila Sequira, winner of the Teen section of Platter Chatter Poll, Norma Stevens, an honourable mention in the Poll and Celeste Gutierrez (the woman harbour race record holder), who, though, not a teen ager any more, has nevertheless, kindly offered her expert opinion on jazz music to start on this teen agers' programme.

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Personality

Here is the girl whose very frank but nice letter is published in this issue of the Topic. She is Katherine Boyes who will be sweet 16 on October 10 this year.

Kathy was born in Hong Kong. But she has been travelling all along the coast of China as her father is in the Customs.

She attends the Maryknoll Convent School and is in class four. Kathy has not yet decided what her career will be. "I have so

(continued from Col. 4)

They were all present at the Rediffusion Studios except Norma. She is still however, being counted on to act in Friday's programme, but should she be unable to do so, the Topics would appreciate it if she could advise the Topics' Editor by phone or a quick note so that a substitute can take over.

Those taking part in "Teen Time" on Friday are reminded that rehearsal is arranged for tomorrow. Those taking part may enquire further by contacting The Wren (phone 25745 between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.) or the Topics' Editor at the China Mail or ring 50488.



KATHY BOYES

many ideas in mind that I just can't choose any yet," she said.

Kathy was in Tientsin when the war broke out. She was evacuated to England in 1942 and stayed there, coming back to Hong Kong in 1946.

Her interests are varied, "Just like those of any ordinary teen agers," she says. She likes to play tennis and swim but prefers quieter pastimes.

Musically, Kathy takes to jazz. Her reading is light—mostly short stories.

Platter Chatter

By "THE WREN"

The old English song **Cruising Down the River** is the No. 1 tune in the U.S.A. and the Old Country returns the compliment by placing Twelfth Street Rag in first place.

Far Away Places is second in both countries with the Bing (Decca) platter in the number one spot for this time. Tara-Ta-Lara-Ta-Lar gives Crosby two good melodies on one disc.

Competition is keen and other versions of Far Away Places have been made by Margaret Whiting (Capitol); Dinah Shore (Columbia); Perry Como (Victor) and Vic Damone (Mercury).

The humorous Cigarettes, Whiskey and Wild, Wild Women is among England's top 20.

Danny Kaye sings surprisingly well with the Andrews Sisters on Put 'em in a Box, 'Tis 'em with a Ribbon. Reverse is the much played Woody Woodpecker.

A platter for your dad: Andrews Sisters: In the Good Old Summer Time.

The author of Nature Boy has made amends by discovering the composer of Riders in the Sky. Three good discs have been pressed of this fast climbing "Western." Burl Ives (Columbia); Vaughn Monroe (Victor) and Bing Crosby (Decca).

Conspicuously absent from recent hit parades are the two Frankies, Sinatra and LaRue, both darlings of the American teen-agers.

Frankie Carlo's next offering will be The Little Old Church

Near Leicester Square with vocal by Marjorie Hughes and the Sunrise Serenaders.

The Pied Pipers have switched over to RAC-Victor and the first release under their new banner is You Broke Your Promise and Tennessee Saturday Night.

Capitol is advertising the Chinese tune Sul Sin Fa sung by a cowboy Smokey Rogers!

Jazz At the Philharmonic, Vol. 9 is entitled Mordido. On the strength of past performances of the artists listed, I order a copy by mail. "Mordido" is Portuguese for "bitten." The composer was baptised Etain Shirdlu. Serves him right!

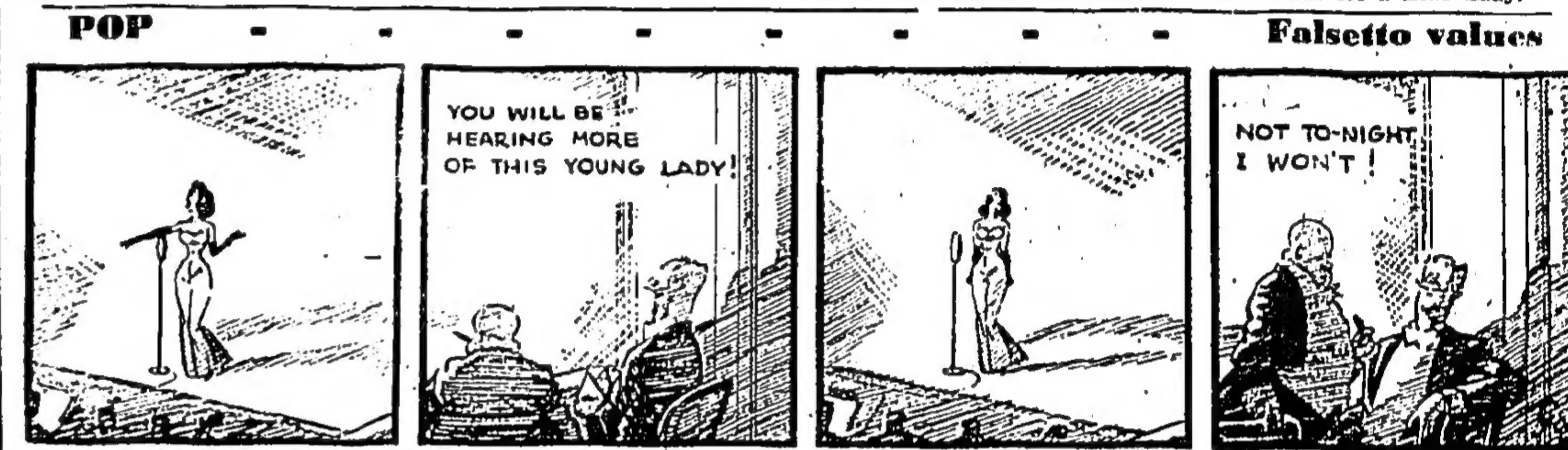
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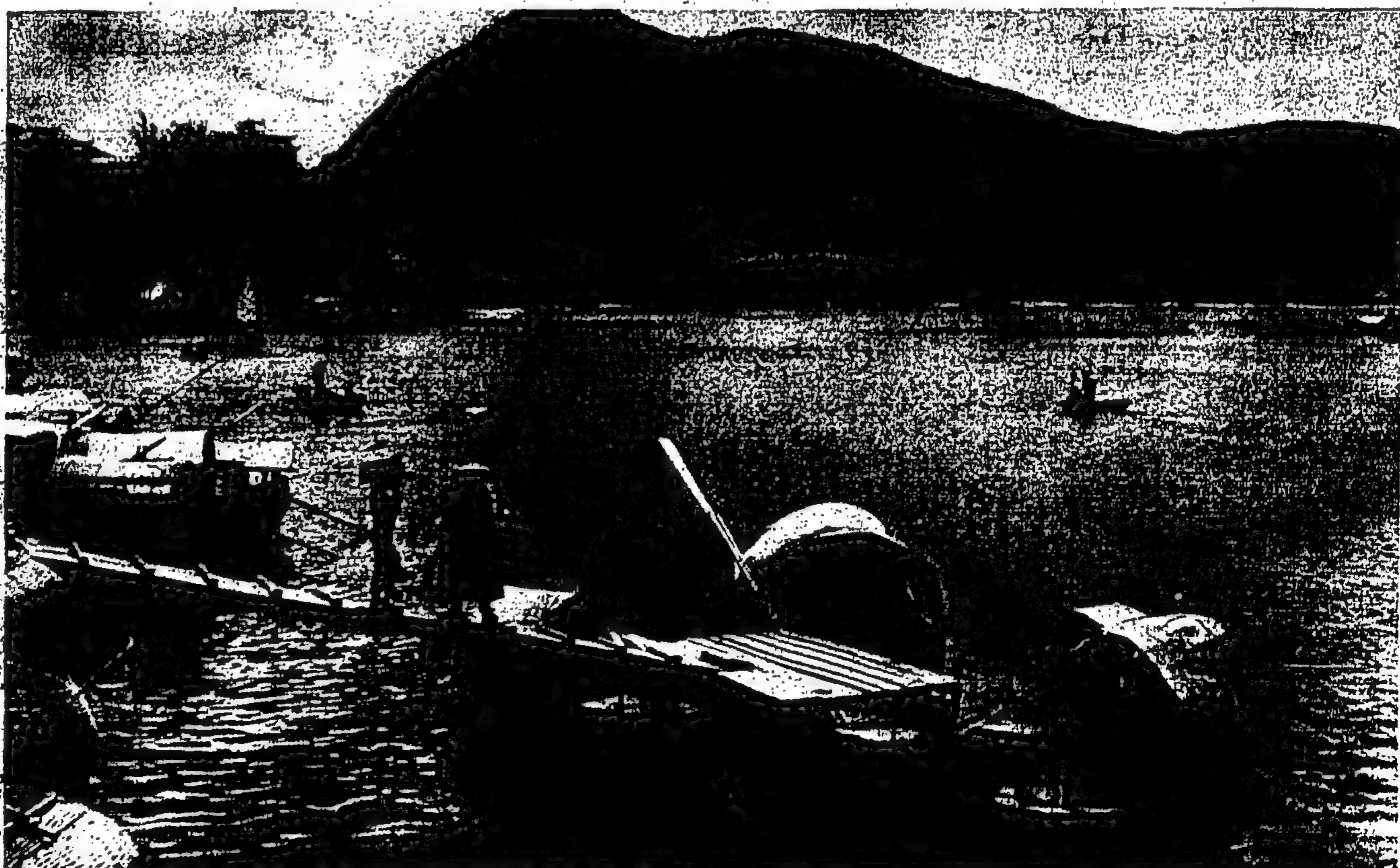
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Mr. Eric Himsforth, Director of the Department of Commerce and Industry, Hong Kong, spoke at a reception given in London in honour of Hong Kong's delegation to the British Industries Fair. (The reception was held at Savoy Hotel.)



Mr. James Bruce, representative of the Standard Telephones and Cables, Limited, who is installing the Multispeed totalsator at the Jockey Club, Happy Valley. ("China Mail" photo)



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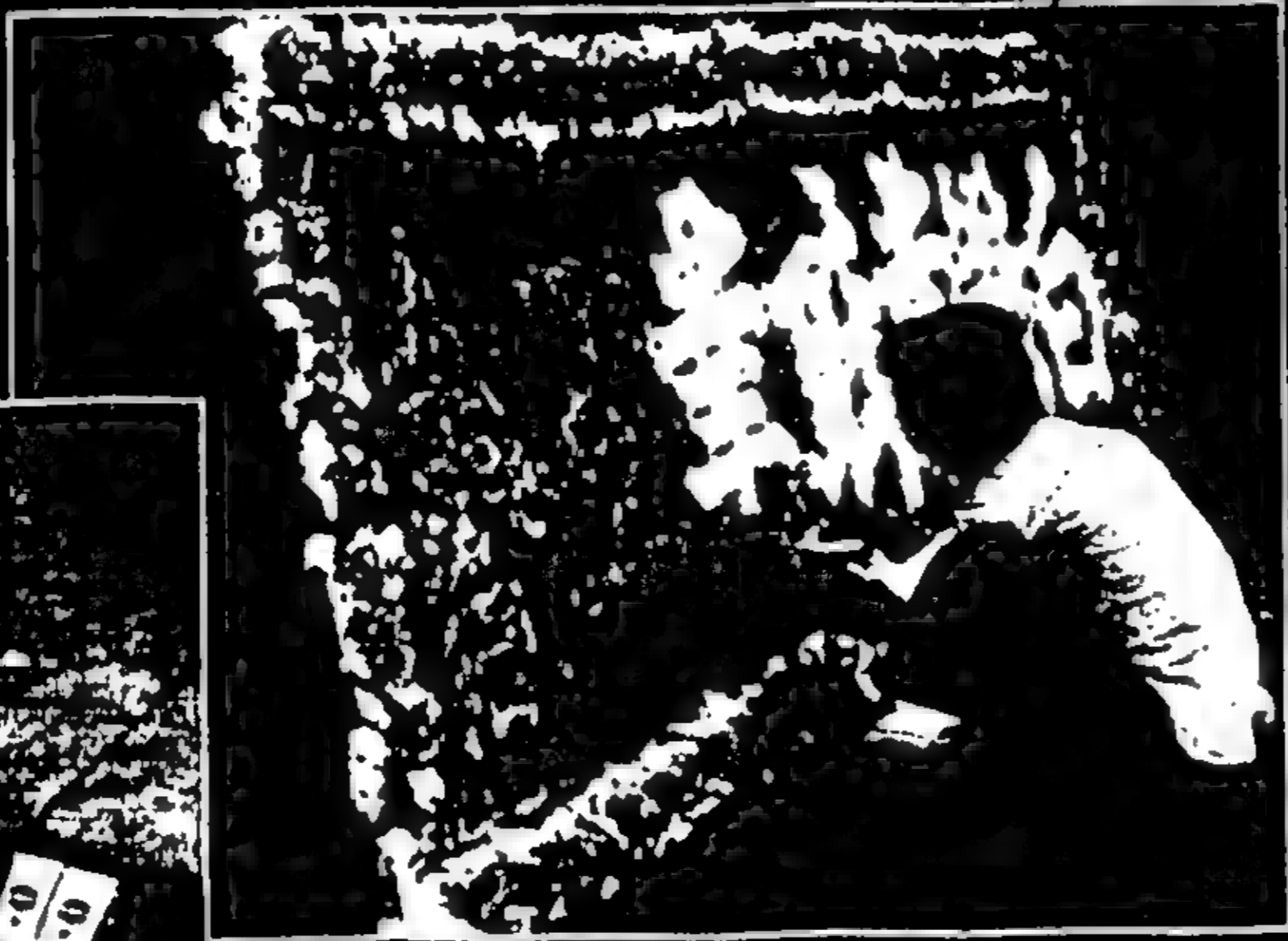
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Major-General F. R. G. Matthews, GOC, presented a Silver Cup to the captain of the 25th Field Regiment team which won the Army Senior Football Championship. ("China Mail" photo)

The 25th Field Regiment, RA, which won the Silver Cup in the Army Senior Football Championship. ("China Mail" photo)



This team represented the Rest against the 25th Field Regiment's soccer combination at Sookunpoo. The game was played before the presentation of the Silver Cup by the General Officer Commanding, Land Forces, Hong Kong. ("China Mail" photo)



Our Lady Fatima: The Macao Bishop's Palace, floodlit during the night on one Henderson.—Copyright by Mr. K. J. Henderson.



Mr. Harold Lee and his bride, the former Miss Christina Look. They were married at St. Joseph's Church on May 25. ("China Mail" photo)

A number of converts were baptised at the Kowloon Chinese Baptist Church recently. They were photographed following the ceremony. ("Mainland" Studio)

Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Hwang Lee, photographed with a group of friends and relatives following their wedding at the Registrar's Office on May 24. ("China Mail" photo)



Miss Lucille Cheung became the bride of Mr. Huang Pui-liang at the Registrar's Office on May 12. ("Ming Yuen" Studio)



Three young artists who took part in a charity performance at St. Stephen's Girls' College on May 22. Miss Ruby Barnett, seven-year-old daughter of the Colony's Deputy Financial Secretary, Mr. K.M.A. Barnett, and Mrs. Barnett, is on the extreme right. ("Jimmie Foo" photo)

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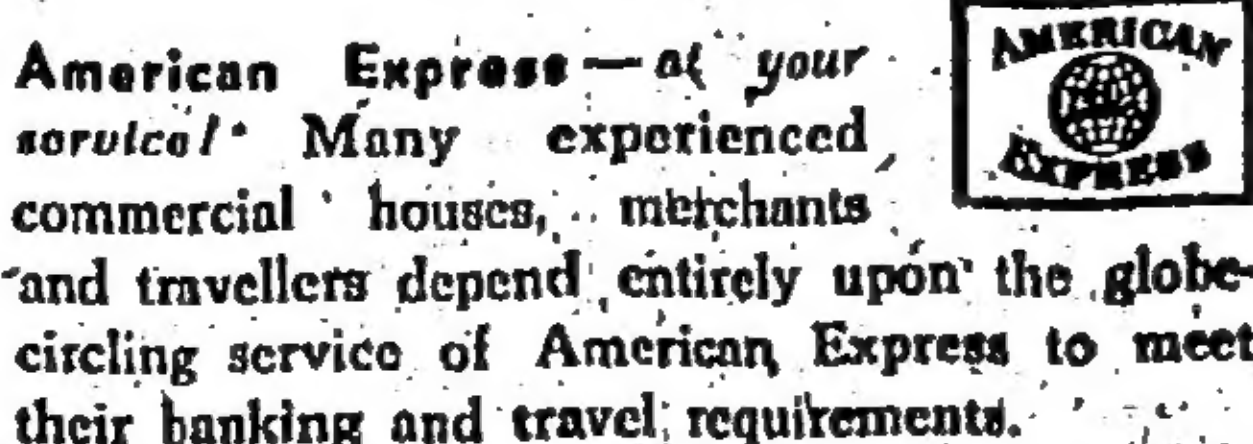
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 H.K. Tramways 18 1/2, 18 1/2
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MAERSK LINE
 Notice To Consignees

The M/V "CORNELIUS MAERSK" having arrived from New York, and Ports of call, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk and expense into the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company's godowns at Kowloon, where delivery may be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

Optional cargo will not be landed here, unless notice has been given 48 hours prior to vessel's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 6th June, 1949, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 4th June, 1949, at 10 a.m. by our Surveyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

All claims must reach us before the 30th June, 1949, or they will not be recognized.

No Insurance will be effected.

JEBSEN & CO., Agents.

Hong Kong, May 30, 1949.

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U.S. Accused Of Pact Violation

Annoy, May 30.

Czechoslovakia today called on the 22 leading nations of the world to pronounce the United States guilty of violating the 1947 Geneva trade and tariffs treaty by imposing a licensing system for exports to Eastern European countries.

Dr. Zdonek Augenthaler, head of the Czech delegation to the biggest ever multilateral tariff negotiations now being held here, said that \$27,000,000 worth of goods ordered and paid for in advance by Czechoslovakia are lying frozen in United States factories and warehouses.

They include machinery for dried milk production, electrodes, electric wires, X-ray tubes, equipment for mining and machinery for the Czech State mint, he charged.

"We also know that the United States has communicated secret lists of prohibited goods to other countries," he alleged.

Mr. Augenthaler said that Czechoslovakia signed the Geneva Treaty believing that it would bring security and legality into international trade negotiations and lead to a greater exchange of goods and employment.

"Instead we are faced with the greatest insecurity," he added.

Signatories of the Geneva Treaty, including Britain and all the Commonwealth countries, are expected to hear the United States deny treaty violation in a few days.

U.S. Hint

In Toronto, yesterday, U.S. Cabinet officer gave Russia and her satellites a broad hint that they can get a chance to buy more of the American goods they want by changing their ways.

The U.S. Secretary of Commerce, Mr. Charles Sawyer, said no rigid formula governs the policy of denying U.S. industrial goods as well as military materials to the Soviet bloc, and the procedure is still flexible.

Admitting frankly that the U.S.

is utilizing its export control to implement its foreign policy, Mr. Sawyer added: "It is clear that so far as possible, we should, and we wish to, permit the free flow of trade between all parts of Europe, and between all parts of Europe and the United States."

"If improvement in the relations between Eastern and Western Europe takes place, we can look for a larger volume of trade to the benefit of both the East and the West."

Mr. Sawyer made his statement in a speech at the opening of the second Canadian International Trade Fair—Reuter and Associated Press.

Notice To Consignees

S.S. "VINGNES"

Having arrived Hong Kong consignees of cargo are hereby notified that all goods have been landed and placed at their risk and expense into the godowns of the China Provident L. & M. Co., Ltd., where delivery may be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the godowns or failure to attend the survey.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the godown where they will be examined in the presence of Messrs. Goddard and Douglas on the 4th and 7th June, 1949 at 10 a.m.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when examining damaged dutiable goods. All claims against the vessel must be presented to the undersigned within fourteen days of the ship's arrival, or they will not be recognized.

No fire insurance will be effected.

WALLEM & CO., Agents, Telephone 34177-6.

Notice To Consignees

S.S. "ESANG"

From Calcutta & Saigon arrived 29th May

Damaged cargo ex this vessel will be surveyed in the premises of the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., between the hours of 9 a.m. and 10 a.m. on Thursday, 2nd June. Consignees are advised to have their Representatives present during the Survey.

Consignees are warned that claims for damage or shortage may not be accepted if the damage is not surveyed by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas in the presence of Consignees' Representatives at this appointed time.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.

General Managers, Indo China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.

Notice To Consignees

S.S. "BENAVON"

Consignees Per S.S. "BENAVON"

are hereby notified that their cargo is being discharged into the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co.'s godown, where it will be at Consignees' risk and subject to the Wharf's terms and conditions of storage, and where delivery may be obtained.

Damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns for examination by Consignees and the Company's surveyors, Messrs. Carmichael & Clarke, at 10 a.m. on June 2, 1949.

To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when damaged dutiable goods are examined.

No claims will be admitted, after the goods have left the steamer's godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after June 3, 1949, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before June 19, 1949, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

W. R. LOXLEY & CO. (CHINA) LTD. Agents.

Hong Kong, May 29, 1949.

Britain And Japanese Reparations

London, May 30.

The Minister of State, House of Commons, today said that the British Government is consulting with the Commonwealth Governments on Japan's war reparations. He added that the United States proposals to halt reparations made on May 12 are still being studied, and the British Government is seeking clarification of a number of obscure points—United Press.

Money Market

US dollars opened weak at HK\$0.45 yesterday, and though the rate moved up to \$0.50 shortly after the 11th interval, it dropped back to \$0.50 at the close.

TT opened at HK\$0.40, and closed at the same rate after an interval at \$0.60.

Sterling was unchanged at HK\$18, as were Australian pounds at HK\$14.30.

Plastres opened at HK\$11.80 a 100, and closed at \$12.70.

Ticals dropped 50 cents to HK\$28.50 a 100.

NEI Guilders dropped heavily to HK\$34 a 100.

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S.S. "OREGON"

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All claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 10th June 1949 or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

DODWELL & CO., LTD. Agents.

Hong Kong, May 27, 1949.

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The Global Fleet

TO HONOLULU AND SAN FRANCISCO via SHANGHAI & JAPAN

"President Wilson" June 12
 "General Gordon" (via Manila & Japan) June 24
 "President Cleveland" July 10

TO SAN FRANCISCO AND LOS ANGELES via JAPAN

"President Madison" June 6
 "President Pierce" June 24

TO NEW YORK, BALTIMORE & BOSTON via PANAMA

